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Prices and Prospects.

COKE PRICES HALT WITH HESITATING DEMAND FOR STEEL

But Operators Are Standing Firmly For Their Demands.

OFF-GRADE COKES CONDEMNED

As Unsatisfactory and Margin of Price is Widened, Foundry Coke is Moving Slowly, No More Steel or Merchant Furnaces Booked to Blow in Soon

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURG, March 11.—Some fair sized sales of standard furnace coke for March shipment have been put through in the past week, all at the regular figure of $2.00. One of the buyers is a Shenango valley merchant furnace interest, reported recently to have covered some second quarter coke at $2.10 while another buyer is located in Eastern Pennsylvania. No effort seems to have been made by the operators to obtain more than $2.00 for March coke although the general quotation for second quarter is $2.10 or higher.

As a consequence of the operators position on second quarter business and the less optimistic tone of the iron and steel markets, consumers are indisposed to pursue active inquiries for second quarter coke. While many of the contracts in force run through the half year it is known that several contracts expire with this month, and the second quarter must be covered at some time. A few weeks ago the buyers seemed to be somewhat nervous over the outlook, and in two or three instances about $2.10 was paid for second quarter, evidently in the fear that delay would result in a still higher price. Now, however, the question among buyers seems to be whether $2.10 will be maintained for second quarter. No quotations are thus far openly made below that figure.

The prompt furnace coke market has eased off a trifle since the pressure caused by the poor railroad movement has been relieved, and while $2.00 is commonly asked it is no secret that $1.90 could be done on fairly good coke.

There are some interesting rumors afloat as to issues raised by consumers in the case of contracts already closed, and it is even rumored that one contract has been canceled. These rumors cannot be verified but they indicate the nervous condition into which the market has developed.

It is reported that furnaces which have lately been using coke which sold at a slight discount from the regular market for standard coke have found their bargains quite unsatisfactory and are less disposed to consider such cokes in future, with the result that off-grade coke is obtainable at a wider margin than formerly under standard grade, but without inducing any better buying.

Foundry coke is moving very slowly except that shipments against regular contracts are about up to the average of the past few months. The market stands quotable as follows:

Prompt furnace	$1.90@$2.00
Contract furnace	$2.00@$2.10
Prompt foundry	$2.40@$2.60
Contract foundry	$2.40@$2.60

Pig iron production is stationary. There are no furnaces blowing in and none blowing out. The movement on the part of steel works to blow in additional furnaces is over at least for the time being there having been practically no resumptions since the middle of February. During the movement to increase production about two dozen banked furnaces resumed and about an equal number of cold stacks were blown in. Among the merchant furnaces there has been practically no change in the rate of production the output being substantially the same now as in December.

The pig iron market has been very quiet locally, and has shown some slight signs of weakness. It is claimed that the regular quotation of $14.25 Valley on Bessemer iron has been shaded even on single carloads, while as to basic there have been sales at not over $13.00 Valley, when for several weeks the market had been claimed to be strong at $13.25, Valley. However a reaction in basic iron was not altogether unreasonable considering that there had been an advance of no less than $1.00 a ton, from the $12.25 figure which prevailed in several transactions early in January.

MILL ORDERS PLACED

Canton Concern Prepares to Roll Vanadium Steel Products

The National Roller Foundry Company, Avonmore, Pa., has received a contract for a combination 19 inch and 14-inch Belgian guide mill for installation in the plant of the United Steel Company, Canton, O.

The mill will be used for rolling vanadium steel products.

Virginia Shipments Slump

Shipments over the Virginian railway for January amounted to 407,109 tons compared with 453,889 tons for January 1913, a decrease of 10.3 per cent. This was the first decrease in tonnage in one month compared with the same month the year previous since the road was opened in 1909.

A PRONOUNCED LULL IN IRON AND STEEL

Blamed on Washington and Weather Car Spotting Charges May be Allowed Soon

Special to The Weekly Courier.

NEW YORK, March 11.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report will review the steel and iron situation tomorrow as follows:

The lull in the iron and steel markets has become so pronounced as to have become the chief topic of discussion in trade circles. New buying has become extremely light, while specifications on contracts are greatly reduced, some sellers testifying to a decrease of 50% in specifications in the past two or three weeks. The mills are left with an average of perhaps four weeks of solid work specified on books. Production has been at a substantially unchanged rate since the middle of February, and prices are stationary but they are no better than stationary.

In eastern financial and industrial circles the common opinion is that the setback is due to Washington. In the steel industry of the central west the more common opinion is that the weather is responsible. The progress of the season will show within two or three weeks which is the correct view.

Apparently authentic information is that the railroads will shortly be allowed important spotting charges. Such charges, either at 3½ cents a ton or $2 a car would net the railroads much more than seems to be generally apprehended, probably fully two-thirds of the $50,000,000 commonly spoken of as being involved in the 5% rate advance case.

The Steel Corporation's February increase of 41,7[illegible]4 tons in unfilled tonnage was much greater than the current estimates of two or three weeks ago when trade conditions were better than now. A part of the increase is probably attributable to some large special orders, not connected with the ordinary flow of business over the counter.

Little interest is manifested in steel or pig iron prices at the moment, both buyers and sellers maintaining a strictly waiting attitude. By the first week in April the price question will have become very important for perforce there will be more business to be negotiated, and it will then be determined quickly, whether this is a lull before a better market, or the beginning of a definite reaction.

EARNINGS ARE GOOD

High Efficiency Results in Neat Surplus for Pittsburg Coal

The report of the Pittsburg Coal Company for the year ended December 31, 1913, shows an increase in total production of 644,822 tons or 2.63 per cent, an increase in gross earnings of $729,273, or 12.8 per cent and an increase in net earnings of $700,755 or 35 per cent. The net earnings were in excess of 10 per cent on the preferred stock outstanding after payment of an increase in taxes, personal injury settlements and marine losses over 1912 of $237,000.

Up to October 1 or during the first nine months of the year the increase in tonnage was 6.38 per cent but the recession in general business during the last three months of the year reduced the net increase in tonnage to 2.68 per cent for the full year. The large increase in net earnings despite the relatively small increase in output indicates the application of efficiency to the different plants.

The Pittsburg Coal Company now owns all of the capital stock of the River Coal Company except about one half of one per cent and for the first time it includes the results of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Company in its report for the year ended December 31, 1913.

COAL TRUST ACCUSED

Senator Tillman Declares Charleston, S. C., is Deprived of Traffic

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Charges that a coal trust prevents the free movement of coal through the port of Charleston, S. C., to the advantage of New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk and other cities were made in a resolution by Senator Tillman, chairman of the naval committee.

He asked that a special Congressional investigation be ordered. Mr. Tillman charged that financiers who dominate the Southern railway are interested in coal properties in sections of the country not in the railroad's territory and prevent the free movement of coal through Charleston.

WILL ENLARGE PLANT

Kentucky Coke Company is Having a Prosperous Year

The Allegheny Coke Company which succeeded the Mitchell Coal Company in developing Kentucky coal operates 150 ovens which convert its entire output into coke which is marketed and consumed within a radius of 200 miles of the mines.

Nine thousand tons of coke were shipped during last year after June 1 with only a part of the ovens completed. The company contemplates doubling its capacity this year using 300 ovens and getting out a correspondingly increased amount of coal.

New Superintendent Named

Patrick Quinn, superintendent of the Sunshine mines at South Fork, is to be chosen head of the Sterling Coal Company's operations at Bakerton to succeed the late John P. Reed.

Canadian Coal Output

Coal output of Canadian provinces for 1913 shows that Alberta produces 4,240,000 tons and British Columbia 3,208,000 tons.

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION.	WEEK ENDING MARCH 7, 1914				WEEK ENDING FEB. 28, 1914			
DISTRICT	Ovens	In	Out	Tons	Ovens	In	Out	Tons
Connellsville	20,924	15,565	5,359	199,415	20,924	17,446	3,478	180,940
Lower Connellsville	16,748	11,188	5,560	116,275	16,748	10,749	5,999	[illegible]
Totals	37,672	26,753	10,919	315,690	37,672	26,105	11,477	[illegible]
FURNACE OVENS								
Connellsville	16,704	13,192	3,512	169,475	16,704	[illegible]	[illegible]	172,650
Lower Connellsville	5,552	4,426	1,126	56,675	5,552	906	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	22,256	17,618	4,638	226,150	22,256	17,098	[illegible]	205,180
MERCHANT OVENS								
Connellsville	4,220	2,373	1,847	29,940	4,220	2,254	1,966	28,290
Lower Connellsville	11,196	6,762	4,434	89,600	11,196	[illegible]	[illegible]	80,100
Totals	15,416	9,135	6,281	119,540	15,416	8,577	[illegible]	108,390

SHIPMENTS	WEEK ENDING MARCH 7, 1914	WEEK ENDING FEB. 28, 1914
To Pittsburg	3,651 Cars	3,261 Cars
To Points West of Pittsburg	5,620 Cars	5,070 Cars
To Points East of the Region	1,291 Cars	1,057 Cars
Totals	10,562 Cars	9,388 Cars

COKE MEN OPPOSE SPOTTING CHARGE BY THE RAILROADS

Carriers Don't Offer Much Testimony to Support the Claim.

WASHINGTON HEARING AT END

Connellsville Region Men Explain Handling of Cars in the Coke Trade and Declare that They Should Not be Made Pay for Such Service.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Hearings of coke operators in the Connellsville and West Virginia districts relating to proposed charges for spotting cars, taken up before Commissioner Harlan of the Interstate Commerce Commission were concluded yesterday.

A vast amount of data pertaining to physical operations connected with the service, how they are divided between producers and the railroad companies, tonnages, and related material were offered, and save for the variations in the output the remainder of the operations of the coke interests were declared to be of the same general character. Statistics contained in The Weekly Courier of Connellsville were submitted and after the commissioner had been informed as to the relation this paper sustained to the Connellsville coke trade, and the manner in which these figures were gathered they were accepted as evidence and copies of The Weekly Courier filed with the other papers in the case.

Typical of the testimony submitted by others was that of R. M. Fry of the Orient Coke Company appearing on behalf of the Coke Producers Association of the Connellsville region. Taking up the question of services performed by the producers and the railroads Mr. Fry spoke of the ownership of the sidings by the producers, the spotting of cars on them by means of gravity in practically all instances, running of cars to the end of sidings and coupling them on the main line, all performed by operators employes where they are taken by the carriers.

Witnesses appearing for coal companies among them being J. M. Armstrong of the Pittsburg Coal Company related that services for these operations were analogous to a large degree with operations in connection with the coke traffic. He told not only of the great amount of work done by the operators in performing the service but also recited how the coke and coal interests are compelled often to clean and repair cars before loading them.

Cars it was declared are kicked off the main line or branch by the railroad just sufficiently to place them in the clear and no further. Oftentimes he said the cars have to be pinched by the operators employes over the knuckle even before they are sent down the siding to the tipple.

L. I. Willard, assistant general manager of the W. J. Rainey interests in his testimony said the total tonnage in the Connellsville region for 1913 was 20,000,000 tons, 582,000 cars being used.

W. A. Stone of the Prospect Coal & Coke Company with 100 ovens and the Waltersburg Coke Company with 149 ovens told how crews serve the Keister branch from the Brownsville yard taking westbound freight there with a road haul of 10 miles in the direction of destinations while eastbound cars are left at the end of the branch near the main line. D. B. Stauft of the Taylor Coke & Coal Company with 378 ovens and an annual capacity of 300,000 tons said the company owns the private trackage and at the request of the railroad company had put in a loop siding of 2,643 feet.

Railroad representatives submitted no more evidence to uphold a claim for spotting service and did not even indicate that they thought they were entitled to receive compensation. Testimony of coke and coal operators was readily conceded by railroad representatives as being accurate. L. A. Sneed of the White Oak Coal Company appeared for numerous companies in the New River field of West Virginia and said operations in that territory were similar to those in the Connellsville region.

In response to the commission's request that the railroads give some information as to the methods pursued in placing cars for loading at coal mines, George M. Shriver, vice president of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad explained the methods by which his company handles this class of business. Mr. Shriver took as typical the West Virginia territory, taking the rate commonly known as the Fairmont rate and explained the details of how the empty cars received from the east and the west are distributed to the mines in this region and the loads assembled in the several terminal yards. He showed how cars are taken from the main yards to tracks at various points along the line from which they are distributed to the individual mines by district switch engines which serve from six to ten mines. He estimated that the cost for the engine and crew involved in this work was $1.05 an hour or $40.50 for a ten hour day which applied to the cars handled in the region in October 1913 represented an average cost of $1.30 a car.

The railroad official told the commission that the Baltimore & Ohio handled approximately 12,000,000 tons or 300,000 carloads of coal out of the West Virginia region and explained how the percentage of the business eastbound and westbound varied according to the season.

As bearing on the possibility of a general charge for spotting cars Mr. Brandeis made inquiry about the total number of cars spotted on the Baltimore & Ohio system for the year. Mr. Shriver stated that, based on the figures actually ascertained for October 1913 he estimated that the railroad company "spotted" approximately 2,000,000 cars of which 500,000 were in connection with the coal and coke trade in the regions served by the road.

Among the Connellsville region coke men attending the hearing were R. M. Fry, general superintendent of the Orient Coke Company, George Whyel of the Consolidated Connellsville Coke Company, Charles I. Lenhart of the Shamrock Coke Company, L. L. Willard of W. J. Rainey, D. B. Stauft of the Taylor Coal & Coke Company, J. W. Semans of the Producers Coke Company and W. A. Stone Waltersburg Coal & Coke Company.

OLD COKE PLANT WILL RESUME OPERATION SOON

Painter Works Above Scottdale Given a New Lease on Life

SCOTTDALE, March [illegible]—The old Painter plant of 30 ovens at McClure, of the H. C. Frick Coke Company above Scottdale are to have their usefulness continued, although the Frick company has closed the ovens out having exhausted all their coal holdings that had fed this plant for many years in the past. The Frick company is now busily engaged in clearing their yards of all stock coke and cleaning them up in order to turn the ovens over to the Newcomer Coal & Coke Company, which expects to operate a large number of them for some time to come in the manufacture of coke.

The ovens have been leased by the Newcomer Coal & Coke Company, which has its headquarters in Scottdale being one of the coke plants in which W. P. Hurst is interested and in which Dr. G. W. Newcomer of Connellsville is a partner.

The company has held a good tract of coal in the vicinity of McClure for several years. Among the coal acreages which it holds are the G. W. Pritts tract, that of D. W. Bittner and Dennis Comp[illegible]. The company is preparing to have test holes sunk in prospecting for the best location at which to drive openings into their coal and expect to start work on the pit mouth within a short time.

Find Coal in Oklahoma

It is believed that northern Oklahoma will be soon enriched by the development of coal deposits that until recently were known only to persons engaged in drilling oil wells. The coal is bituminous of excellent quality.

SPOTTING CHARGES ON COAL AND COKE SHOULD BE LESS

Than on Other Commodities if the Commission Considers

QUESTION OF FULL LADING

And Relative Economy and Consequent Profit of This Traffic Compared With Movement of Other Freight The Equity of the Wholesale Rate

The question of car spotting charges was suddenly brought up in the Interstate Commerce Commission's decision in the industrial railways case rendered January 30th and now it is the foremost thought as to railroad matters in the minds of many if not most shippers, their interest in it easily outweighing their interest in the rate advance. The commission has asked shippers having private sidings to furnish a large amount of detailed information preparatory it is thought to an early decision which may order such spotting charges. The final hearings are set for March 16th and 17th.

The coke operators of the Connellsville region were heard on the question this week. They explained the spotting practise in this region and thought a charge of 30 cents per car would be reasonable. They agreed to submit figures in support of this contention. The estimates of the railroads as to the cost of this service vary but the minimum thus far mentioned is 90 cents, while the maximum cost is placed as high as $3 per car. Concerning the charge for spotting cars in the coal and coke trade the American Metal Market makes the sum interesting observation.

There has been in recent years a growing feeling among large shippers that the present system of two rates, less than carload and carload rates is very inequitable both to the shippers and to the railroads, having in mind the large capacity of most cars and the smallness of the minimum loading required to qualify the carload rate. The minimum loading amounts are most commonly 15 or 20 tons, whereas on June 30th 1913 the latest date of available statistics there were 1,126,865 cars or 51.4% of the total of 2,[illegible]9,431 cars which had a capacity of 40 tons or over. The proportion has increased materially since then. One reason why the coal and coke movement is so profitable to the railroads is that full loading is practically, indeed the permissible overload of 10 is usually practised in the case of coal. The average loading of all cars is only a trifle above [illegible] capacity and if coal, coke and ore [illegible] cut out of the reckoning the average loading on the balance would undoubtedly be under 50. This certainly is uneconomical for the railroad and in the present state of the public mind there is [illegible] to carry on such losses to the general public, those who pay the freight bills.

The question of loading is almost [illegible] associated with this problem of spotting charges. We believe we [illegible] that if the [illegible] cars were loaded substantially to capacity the operating cost of the railroads would so decrease that there would be no question about advancing rates. Furthermore it is quite obvious that this suggestion of a spotting charge is made by the commission from the standpoint of giving the railroads more revenue without general advance in rates.

In these circumstances it is [illegible] important to consider [illegible] loading with respect to the industrial railways, the shippers having private sidings and [illegible] shippers. Who [illegible] cars most fully. The industrial railways claim they do [illegible] with the time they have been allowed they load cars quite fully. Frequently moving the [illegible] to put on their tracks in order to [illegible] a full load. They however are being penalized. The American Railway Association has suspended a number of them from the [illegible] in the pleadings [illegible] rent leaving it for the Interstate Commerce Commission to determine the issues. This [illegible] apparently works [illegible] and very decidedly to reduce their loadings. As to shippers with private sidings but without industrial railways spotting it should be [illegible] whether they usually load more heavily than others. As the [illegible] consideration should be given to the question whether the establishment of a spotting charge would [illegible] increase the average loading. It would be an ironical method of getting results but might be fairly effective.

In the whole of the many sided question [illegible] suggest that the trend of things in the broadness of the industrial railways decision and the movement toward the establishment of spotting charges is distinctly and radically towards putting the large shipper at no disadvantage as compared with the small shippers. In the [illegible] step backward. Freight moves more [illegible] commodity in a sense and it is [illegible] to defend the proposition that [illegible] entitled to [illegible] wholesale rates. Everywhere else [illegible] wholesale rates are recognized. Why [illegible] freight movement? It [illegible] that the Interstate Commerce Commission had definitely [illegible] its decisions upon the [illegible] performing the service, but now it [illegible] absolutely upon this [illegible] determination. It may find [illegible] issue but [illegible] the most the same that [illegible] is less to perform wholesale freight service than retail freight service.

The points well established in the foregoing analysis of the situation are:

1. That the coal and coke operators [illegible] their cars to [illegible] and [illegible] quantity on [illegible] greater [illegible] of the railroads than [illegible] half capacity and which business yields correspondingly less profit.

2. That the establishment of a spotting service would encourage better loading. Even coal and coke cars might be better loaded.

3. The wholesale business should not have to pay retail rates either in equity or under the rule established by the commission that rates should be based on the cost of service.

A general application of the rule that rates should be based on the cost of service will revolutionize the established schedule of rates especially upon coal and coke as has hitherto been pointed out in these columns.

THE UPPER CONNELLSVILLE AND GREENSBURG REGIONS

Show Slightly Increased Shipments and Decided Gains in Western Business.

The Upper Connellsville and Greensburg Connellsville coke region increased their output over 1,000 tons last week. The feature of their trade is the marked increase in their western business. Ordinarily the major portion of the coke from these districts goes to the eastern market because of the decided freight differential in its favor but it seems that approximately two thirds of the product is now being marketed in the West.

Shipments out of these regions in tons of 2,000 pounds for the week ending March 7 were as follows:

District	East	West	Total
Upper Conn.	[illegible]	17,[illegible]00	20,8[illegible]
Greensburg	3,44[illegible]	8,661	18,105
Totals	1[illegible],795	26,161	[illegible]

The aggregate shipments from these districts for 1914 to date were as follows:

Week	East	West	Total
Jan.	1188[illegible]	20,[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 10	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 17	[illegible]	17,[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 24	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 31	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 7	[illegible]401	11,001	41,40[illegible]
Feb. 14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 21	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 28	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mar. 7	[illegible]	[illegible]161	[illegible]

COKE FREIGHT RATES

Revised Charges Now in Force to Various Points East and West

The revised rates in [illegible] of 2,000 pounds from the Connellsville region to points both east and west are as follows:

Pittsburg	$ [illegible]
Youngstown and Valley [illegible]	1.20
Wheeling	1.20
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	1.65
Canton	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Detroit	[illegible]
Milwaukee	[illegible]
Chicago	[illegible]
East St. Louis	[illegible]
Buffalo	[illegible]
Erie	[illegible]
Harrisburg	[illegible]
Baltimore	[illegible]
Philadelphia	[illegible]
New York	[illegible]

Sharon May Get New Steel Plant

Provided the Sharon Civic [illegible] can [illegible] the American Vessel Steel [illegible] Company of Pittsburg will erect a large plant in that city. According to William Riggs, secretary and treasurer of the company [illegible] will expend $[illegible]000 for the plant which will [illegible] improvement [illegible].

Pennsylvania Company Chartered

The Pennsylvania Steel Company of Delaware has been chartered at Dover with a capital of $100,000. It is a subsidiary of the Pennsylvania Steel Company of Pennsylvania and has been formed to do a special line of work at the Steelton plant.

Completes New Coke Plant

The Allegheny Coke Company has [illegible] a plant of 150 ovens at [illegible] in the eastern coal fields of Kentucky.

Production and Output.

COKE SHIPMENTS RISE TO 383,000 TONS LAST WEEK

Production Goes to 345,000 Tons Where it is Set to Stay Awhile.

NEARLY 40,000 TONS STOCK

Went Out to the Furnace Interest to Start its Newly Lighted Stocks. Merchant Interest Fires 500 Ovens to Meet Increased Demand for Coke

The Connellsville coke region did a rushing business last week notwithstanding reports of a lull in the steel and iron trade. It was a busy week [illegible]. The furnace interest continued to load stock [illegible] in their surplus [illegible] of the regions and as a result shipments rose to [illegible] proportions. The average weekly shipment for the first three [illegible] was [illegible] tons. That of last week was 383,000 tons. Production rose from 314,000 tons to [illegible] tons and will [illegible] here [illegible] for the present.

The increase in production and shipments is due chiefly to the merchant demand of the steel interest owning their own ovens in the Connellsville regions though there is a decided increase in merchant furnace demand, one result of which was the firing of 510 merchant ovens last week. The accompanying tabulation indicates that the merchant interest has maintained a production approximating 110,000 tons weekly since the opening of the year when the operators voluntarily banked a large number of ovens rather than sell coke below $2.00 a ton. The increase of the merchant production nearly 20 [illegible] indicates a healthy growth of business. A portion of this may be accounted for in the recently increased eastern shipments. Trade in this section had fallen below 50,000 tons weekly. It is now in excess of 47,000 tons. Another Buffalo merchant furnace is reported blowing in this week.

The following figures show the recovery of the coke trade since the slump in December:

PRODUCTION

Week	Furnace	Merchant	Total
Jan. 3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 10	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 17	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 24	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 31	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 21	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 28	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mar. 7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

SHIPMENTS

Week	Cars	Tons
Jan. 3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 10	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 17	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 24	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jan. 31	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 7	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 14	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 21	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feb. 28	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mar. 7	[illegible]	[illegible]

Production for the week ending March 7 [illegible] the furnace interest [illegible] tons and the merchant interest [illegible] tons. [illegible]

[illegible]

Kentucky Mines Flooded

Several coal mines in the vicinity of Henderson, Ky., have been flooded recently. The snow and rain which fell during the past two weeks followed by thaws.

New Fuel in Steel Mill

Experiments conducted by the Carnegie Steel Company with pulverized coal in an open hearth furnace have proved very successful.

BLAST FURNACES SHOW A GREATER FEBRUARY OUTPUT

But Gain Over Month Previous Confined to Steel Works Stacks.

RENEWED ACTIVITY IS MARKED

Pig Iron Output is 9,080 Tons Over January, Although There Were Three Fewer Workings Days in February; Merchant Stacks Show Loss.

Emphatic confirmation of the enlarged activity of blast furnace operations during February, is furnished by the record of pig iron production during last month, compiled by the Cleveland Iron Trade Review. The total output of coke and anthracite pig iron was 1,888,416 tons, compared with 1,879,336 tons in January, a gain of 9,080 tons. This increase is the more expressive in view of last month having three less working days than January.

It is in the average daily production that the partial resumption last month is more clearly shown. The average daily output during February was 67,443 tons compared with 60,624 tons in January, a gain of 6,819 tons. February registered the first gain in tonnage and average of any month since September. Last month's average production compares with 92,095 tons in February a year ago, which holds the record for high average output.

In active stacks, a considerable increase is shown, comparing the last days of February and January. On January 31, 199 blast furnaces were active, while on February 28 there were 219 furnaces reported in blast. The gain of 20 in the active list was due almost entirely to the steel works or non-merchant furnaces, 21 of which blew in last month while three were put out, a net gain of 18. Of the merchant furnaces, 4 were relighted in February and 2 blown out, a net gain of 2.

As during the decline of the past 18 months it was the steel works furnaces that registered the greatest losses, so it is those plants that were responsible for the gain made in February. Production of non-merchant iron in February was 1,109,156 tons in February against 1,227,156 tons in January, a gain of 81,877 tons.

The merchant furnaces produced 555,540 tons of iron in February and 628,662 tons in January, a loss of 72,122 tons. In average daily output, the merchant furnaces showed a production of 19,875 tons in February and 20,279 tons in January, a loss last month of 403 tons. The steel works furnaces averaged 46,751 tons in February, against 38,586 tons in January, a gain last month of 7,165 tons.

AFTER SOMERSET COAL

Republic Iron & Steel Company Plans Purchase of Big Tract.

Frank W. Newhall, chief engineer, and a corps of assistants for the Republic Iron & Steel Company, have been making preliminary property surveys and have been prospecting in coal fields in Somerset county.

The Republic company contemplates the purchase of 1,000 acres of coal land in this field, and it was for the purpose of ascertaining the depth and quality of the coal that the engineers have been making the surveys.

The tract under consideration is located near Boswell and is adjacent to the Orenda No. 2 mine of the Windber Coal Company. The coal is designated as the Kittanning vein and ranges in thickness of from 6 feet 1 inch to 8 feet 5 inches.

It is fairly free from slate and other foreign substance, and can be mined with comparative ease. Supporting the roof is a sandy shale, while a crust of hard shale forms the bottom of the vein.

The coal mined there will be used by the company in the Koppers by-product ovens at Youngstown.

Coke Worker Injured.

J. H. Burhammer, an employe of the H. C. Frick Coke Company at Trotter, suffered a fracture of the left leg below the knee Tuesday afternoon when a pipe in the mines burst.

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WILL BUILD BIG PLANT

By-Product Project to be the Second Largest in the Country.

A coal and coke plant, second in size only to that owned by the United States Steel Corporation, which is the largest in the world, is to be constructed for the Lehigh Coke Company at an approximate cost of $4,000,000. It will supply fuel for the blast furnaces and foundries of which Charles M. Schwab is president.

The new plant is to consist of 424 ovens, with a capacity for carbonizing 5,000 tons of bituminous coal daily. There will also be an enormous by-product, as 10,500 cubic feet of gas, 16 to 24 pounds of sulphate of ammonia and four to eight gallons of tar are obtained from each ton of coal in the carbonizing process.

The ovens, built in two rows, will extend a quarter of a mile. The first two batteries of 212 ovens, by the terms of the contract, will be built during the next 300 working days and the completion of the two other batteries is to follow within a similar period. One-half of the present plant is to be torn down to make way for the new ovens.

HEADQUARTERS MOVED.

B. & N. Construction Offices Go to Fairmont.

The Buckhannon & Northern Railroad Company has moved headquarters for three departments to Fairmont. These include the right of way engineering and construction departments. Major S. D. Brady, chief engineer, has also moved his headquarters to Fairmont.

This move has been made because the work of construction on the new line coming into Fairmont from Morgantown has now centered around the great overhead bridge at Catawba and the long tunnel breaking into East Fairmont, and the terminals at this end of the new road. About 350 men are at work at this end of the line and 150 at the new bridge.

FIXES HEARING DATES.

Interstate Commerce Commission Announces Time for Arguments.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The Interstate Commerce Commission announced today in connection with the proposed five per cent advance in freight rates by the eastern roads, a hearing in this city March 28 regarding the storage of freight at terminals and loading and unloading carload freight.

Hearings heretofore announced for March 12, 13 and 14 on Lake and rail rates have been postponed until April 2, 3 and 4. They will be held here.

CUT PUDDLERS PAY.

Youngstown Mills Make Reduction of 15 Cents Per Ton.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., March 10.—At the bimonthly wage conference held today between representatives of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel & Tin Workers, the Western Bar Iron Association and the Republic Iron & Steel Company, the rate for puddling was reduced from a 1:20 to a 1:15 card.

This is a reduction of 15 cents per ton in wages and affects 15,000 mill workers.

MINERAL OUTPUT LARGE.

Value of Fayette's Products Estimated at $33,507,923.

The total estimated value of the mineral production of Fayette county in 1912, as reported to the State Topographic and Geological Survey, was $33,507,923. The following gives the value of the several products:

Brick and tile, $815,875; bituminous coal, $32,595,749; sand and gravel, $90,268; sandstone, $11,887; limestone, $100,684; miscellaneous, including clay, pottery, bluestone, natural gas, $93,510.

GERMAN COAL OUTPUT.

Tonnage for 1913 Shows a Big Gain Over 1912.

Coal production in Germany last year showed an increase of 14,416,327 tons over that of 1912, the output being 191,511,154 tons compared to 177,094,917 tons the preceding year.

Coke output increased 3,026,646 tons; coal briquettes 490,125 tons; lignite 4,776,786 tons and lignite briquettes 2,359,829 tons.

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Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
200	190	Acme	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
70	.....	Acme	Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
300	300	Adelaide	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	182	Alverton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
575	570	Bagaley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
182	91	Beatty	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
60	.....	Bethany	Majestic Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	170	Bitner	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
120	.....	Boyer	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
240	174	Brinkerton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Buckeye	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Company	Mt. Pleasant
269	200	Calumet	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
22	.....	Carolyn	Peerless-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
801	250	Central	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
54	.....	Chester	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
150	150	Clare	Clare Coke Co.	Greensburg
60	60	Coalbrook	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	340	Collier	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	340	Continental No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
268	266	Continental No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	240	Continental No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
120	120	Crossland	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
333	210	Davidson	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	11	Dexter	Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
230	200	Dorothy	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	.....	Ellen No. 1	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	.....	Ellen No. 2	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Elizabeth	Unity-Connellsville Coke Co.	Greensburg
218	100	Elm Grove	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
123	100	Fort Hill	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
101	.....	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
124	95	Grace	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
272	220	Hecla No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
173	170	Hecla No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
310	240	Hecla No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
61	.....	Henry Clay	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
355	320	Hostetter	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Humphrey	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
250	200	Juniata	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	.....	Junction	Marietta-Garber Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
300	200	Kyle	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
499	370	Leisenring No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
406	360	Leisenring No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
502	380	Leisenring No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
354	250	Leith	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
227	200	Lemont No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Lemont No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	.....	Little Sunshine	King Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	.....	Love	C'ville-Mutual Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
40	40	Mayer	Mayer Coke Co.	Uniontown
84	.....	Mahoning	Mahoning Coal & Coke Co.	Dunbar
510	370	Mammoth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	310	Marguerite	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
165	100	Morgan	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
360	324	Mt. Braddock	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
310	213	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg, Pa.
195	115	Mutual	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
32	32	Myers	Brownfield-C'ville Coke Co.	Uniontown
329	120	Nellie	Brown & Cochran	Dawson
252	216	Oliphant	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
328	328	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
480	480	Oliver No. 2	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
300	300	Oliver No. 3	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
23	16	Painter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	170	Paul	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
50	.....	Pennsville	Pennsville Coke Co.	Pennsville
99	50	Perry	Johnston Fuel Co.	Uniontown
400	320	Phillips	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
96	.....	Rainey	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
446	320	Redstone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
520	420	Revere	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
18	26	Semer	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
110	110	Semet-Solvay	Dunbar Furnace Co.	Dunbar
42	.....	Shannon	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
36	.....	Shirey	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
448	320	Shoaf	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
450	370	Southwest No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
115	115	Southwest No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
205	150	Southwest No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
61	.....	Spring Grove	Cochran Bros.	Dawson
500	500	Standard	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
165	120	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
135	.....	Summit	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	.....	Thomas	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
484	340	Trotter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Union	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
350	230	Union	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
98	98	Valley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Veteran	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
57	.....	West Penn	West Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
103	60	White	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
323	320	Whitney	Hostetter-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	220	Wyrn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
500	360	Yorkrun	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
241	190	Youngstown	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg

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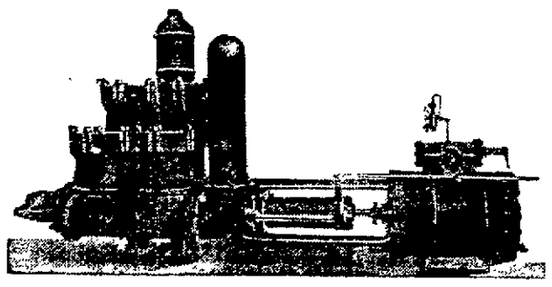

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PENNSY PRESIDENT DEMANDS FAIR PLAY FOR THE RAILROADS

Says Time Has Come For Investors to Assert Their Rights.

DENIES JUGGLING ACCOUNTS

Samuel Rea, in Address Before Stockholders Who Vote Heavy Mortgage, Declares Serious Consideration is Not Given Men Owning Stock.

PHILADELPHIA, March 10.—The Pennsylvania railroad stockholders at their annual meeting today authorized the board of directors to create a mortgage under which bonds may be issued in such amounts and at such times as may be required to finance the company. This is in line with an announcement made by the company last October.

The mortgage is to cover "the whole or such portions of its railroad property and franchises as the directors may authorize," and the aggregate of the bonds "at any time outstanding shall not exceed the par value of the then outstanding capital stock of the company."

President Samuel Rea, who presided, read a statement in which he denied published reports alleging that railroads had manipulated their accounts to show increased cost of operation. He also referred to the question of increased freight rates, stating that the Interstate Commerce Commission and state commissions had probably failed to appreciate the consequence of legislative enactment and regulation dealing with every phase of railroad operation.

The result, he said, is higher maintenance and operating charges. The railroads as a whole have not been spending enough for maintenance, he added. Continuing Mr. Rea said:

"No serious public consideration is at present being given to the investors who have furnished the capital for all the railroads and thereby provided the most substantial foundations for the past and present progress of the country, and without the prosperity of the railroads the country cannot prosper."

"If large numbers of railroad men and others depending on railroads for every character of supplies and work are out of employment and a general loss of confidence exists and suspicion has been engendered, no attempt must be made to place this responsibility upon the railroad managements. They have issued warnings, and made petitions for fair dealing, but without effect. The time has come when all fair-minded men and investors as a whole must individually and collectively impress upon their state and federal senators, representatives and government officials that they are a part of the nation, entitled to at least fair consideration.

"This statement is not made to prevent calamity but it is made to prevent calamity and because heretofore we have used our efforts to influence investors for asserting their rights but we will no longer occupy that position while every other interest in this country petition for their own special welfare and are having the benefit of legislative protection."

COAL PIER AT BALTIMORE

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Proposes to Double Its Fuel-Handling Facilities.

President Daniel Willard of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad says that the company will build an additional steel pier for handling coal at Curtis Bay, Baltimore, which will double the capacity of the existing facilities there. The improvement will cost more than $1,000,000, but the time of undertaking its construction will depend upon the financial condition of the railroad.

Work will begin as soon as practicable after the completion of the harbor improvement provided for by the rivers and harbors appropriation bill now pending in Congess. This measure contains an item of $112,000 to deepen the harbor to 35 feet, so that the largest of merchant vessels and colliers of the United States navy can load coal.

It is predicted that there will be a large increase in coal shipments through the port when the proposed extension of facilities shall have been made.

WILL BUILD TOWN.

Lackawanna Company Plans Extensive Development in West Virginia.

The Lackawanna Coal & Lumber Company, which owns about 30,000 acres in one tract in Boone county, West Virginia, will begin an extensive coal operation there in the late spring or early summer.

This new development will be on Hopkins fork, a branch of the Laurel creek, the latter being a tributary of Coal river. It is about nine miles from Seth, which is on the Coal river division of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad. The new town is named Griffith, after the vice president of the company and will be a model community in every respect.

COAL MEN WORRIED.

Uneasiness Expressed Over Possibility of Strike of Workers.

In coal trade circles a good deal of uneasiness is expressed over the threatening soft coal labor outlook. There is considerable surplus fuel in the principal districts, but the prospect of a general strike, which might run on indefinitely is not liked.

The greatest trouble in such a contingency would be experienced in Pennsylvania districts. A strike would affect Illinois however to a relatively much less extent.

More 100-Ton Cars.

The Norfolk & Western railroad is adding to its number of 100-ton cars, the Roanoke shops being at work upon the construction almost constantly.

EQUIPMENT ORDERS

Details of Contracts Placed Since First of Year; Situation Improves.

Equipment orders reported placed since the first of the year call for a total of 25,268 freight cars, 524 passenger coaches and 309 locomotives. Of this total 12,743 freight cars, 290 passenger cars and 102 locomotives were ordered in January and 11,525 freight and 151 passenger cars, besides 195 locomotives were placed in February. March orders so far call for 83 passenger coaches and 12 locomotives.

While these orders are comparatively small, freight car purchases, for instance, representing an average of only about 150,000 cars a year, or about half of the country's capacity, the situation in the equipment industry since the beginning of the year has shown marked signs of improvement.

Moreover, in spite of the delays in the matter of the freight rate increase, equipment men believe that the railroads will get a substantial advance in rates and that purchases later in the year will be heavy.

MAKES GOOD SHOWING

Unfilled Orders of Steel Corporation Exceed 5,000,000 Tons.

The United States Steel Corporation, in its monthly statement issued yesterday reports unfilled orders on its books on February 28 last, of 5,026,440 tons. This compares with 412,764 tons, with 4,232,198 tons on December 31, 1913, and 7,656,714 tons of February 28, 1913.

At the beginning of the current month the Steel Corporation was operating at about 80 per cent of full capacity. This, however, represents an average output not very much below the production at this time last year, as the big company has increased its capacity appreciably within the past year. The same is true of the Republic Iron & Steel, the Youngstown Sheet & Tube, the Inland Steel and other independent concerns which have all put new furnaces or mills into operation since the spring of 1913.

WILL USE LIQUID FUEL.

Colorado Concern to Pipe By-Product From Lignite to Denver.

Announcement is made by the Consolidated Supply Company, successor to the Great Western Mail Order House, that it will shortly begin work on the construction of a pipe line from its mines in Northern Colorado to Denver to carry a new by-product of lignite coal.

The by-product will be distilled into a liquid fuel, which will prove as useful as gasoline for furnishing motive power and considerably cheaper. The company also claims that its process makes it possible to make coke and gas from cheaper grades of lignite coal.

LAKE COAL SHIPMENTS.

Contracts for About 2,000,000 Tons for 1914 Navigation Shipments.

About 2,000,000 tons of coal for shipment to Lake Superior in the 1914 navigation season have been placed during the past few days. The extent of the business placed is believed to practically settle the Lake Superior rate at 40 cents, the same as in 1913.

Iron ore shippers have not reached a point where they know even roughly what they will need. No sales have been made, and everything indicates that the ore market will not crystallize this month.

LESS IDLE EQUIPMENT.

Compared With Preceding Period Total Surplus Shows Decrease.

According to a statement issued by the American Railway Association the total surplus of cars on March 2 last was 159,480, against 199,395 cars on February 16 last and 58,429 at this time last year.

Compared with the preceding period there is a decrease of 39,905 cars, of which 12,341 is in box, 1,080 in flat, 19,953 in coal and gondola and 6,731 in miscellaneous.

PRODUCTION GAINS.

Austrian Production Shows Big Increase Over the Year Previous.

Reports for 1913 show that Austrian coal production increased 538,713 tons over 1912, the output last year being 16,336,502 compared with 15,797,889 in 1912.

Coke production increased 276,284 tons and coal briquettes 39,438 tons. Lignite output was 1,123,439 tons greater but the production of lignite briquettes decreased 2,398 tons.

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Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
40	.....	Adah	Adah Coke Company	Uniontown
400	400	Alicia	W. Harry Brown	Alicia, Fayette Co.
200	200	Allison No. 1	W. J. Rainey	New York
40	40	Anka	The Wilkey & Feather Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	.....	Atchison	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Gans
20	.....	Baxter Ridge	Baxter Ridge Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
42	.....	Bellevernon	Bellevernon Coal Coal Co.	Pittsburg
100	.....	Bridgeport	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
470	470	Brier Hill	Brier Hill Coke Co.	Brier Hill
20	20	Browning	Browning Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	.....	Brownsville	Brownsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
425	320	Buffington	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
34	25	Burchinal	Smithfield Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
205	.....	Century	Century Coke Co.	Brownsville
40	.....	Champion	Champion Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
24	.....	Coffman	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	400	Colonial No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
156	156	Colonial No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	268	Colonial No. 4	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
142	.....	Cyrilla	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
120	120	Crystal	United Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
250	220	Dearth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
402	350	Donald Nos. 1 & 2	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
160	.....	Donald No. 3	Consolidated C'ville Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	40	Dunn	The Bixler Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
500	370	Edenborn	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
148	.....	Edna	Waltenburg Coke Co.	Uniontown
132	.....	Eleanor	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	.....	Emery	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	200	Fairbank	Struthers Coal & Coke Co.	Fairbank
32	.....	Finley	Jas. Byrne & Co.	Uniontown
400	340	Footedale	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Scottdale
220	.....	Francis No. 1	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	.....	Francis No. 2	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	50	Frets	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
119	119	Garwood	Ætna-Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
58	40	Genuine	Genuine Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
400	400	Griffin Nos. 1 & 2	Bessemer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
216	210	Herbert	Connellsville Central Coke Co.	Pittsburg
45	.....	Hillside	Westmoreland Gas Coal Co.	Pittsburg
52	.....	Hilltop	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
74	74	Hoover	James H. Hoover	McClellandtown
38	38	Hope	Hope Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Hostead	Hostead-Semans Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
250	197	Isabella	Isabella-Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
140	.....	Katherine	Union Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	200	LaBelle	LaBelle Coke Co.	LaBelle
220	220	Lafayette	Atlas Coke Co.	Helen
462	360	Lambert	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
616	330	Lecksvale	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	30	Leon	Franklin Coke Co.	Mt. Pleasant
400	400	Lincoln	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
280	250	Low Phos.	Connellsville Central Coke Co.	Pittsburg
34	.....	Luzerne	Luzerne Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
64	64	Marion	Southern Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
244	244	Martin	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Youngstown, O.
202	80	McKeafrey	McKeafrey Coal Co.	Leetonia, Ohio
257	.....	Millsboro	I. W. Semans	Uniontown
150	150	Mt. Hope	Mt. Hope Coke Co.	Uniontown
80	80	Murphy	Echard Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
30	.....	Newcomer	Newcomer Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Old Home	W. J. Parshall	Uniontown
480	280	Orient	Orient Coke Co.	Uniontown
34	34	Parshall No. 1	Puritan Coke Co.	Uniontown
168	143	Parshall No. 2	Puritan Coke Co.	Uniontown
30	.....	Perry	Perry Coke Co.	Pittsburg
22	.....	Plumer	Plumer Coke Co.	Uniontown
101	101	Poland	Poland Coal Co.	Pittsburg
400	400	Republic	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Uniontown
120	65	Rich Hill	Rich Hill Coal & Coke Co.	Osterop
250	350	Ronco	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
86	.....	Rose	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
372	328	Royal	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
30	.....	Sackett	H. E. Sackett Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
378	378	Seawright	Taylor Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
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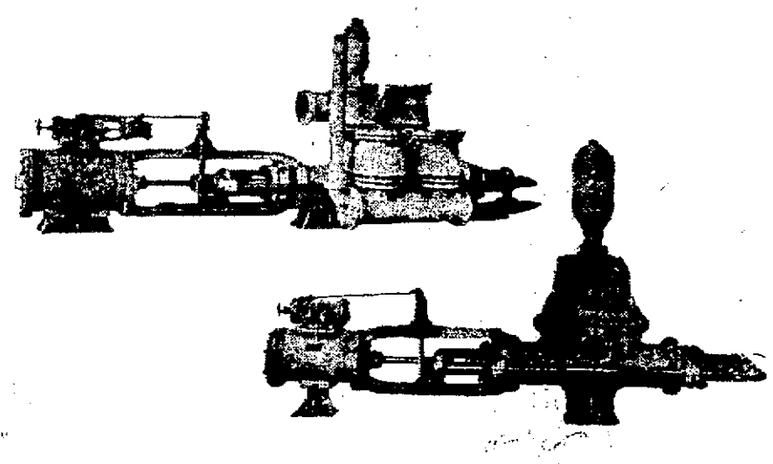

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WILSON'S CANAL MESSAGE

In a special message personally delivered President Wilson pleads with Congress to repeal that portion of the Panama Canal act which exempts American coastwise vessels from the payment of tolls. He insinuates that this discriminating provision may interfere with matters of greater delicacy and nearer consequence

It ought not to have been necessary for the President to have asked the repeal of this clause on such grounds It should be repealed on the score of national good faith and public honor The Treaty of 1901 declares

The canal shall be free and open, in time of war as in time of peace to the vessels of commerce and of war of all nations ON TERMS OF ENTIRE EQUALITY, so that THERE SHALL BE NO DISCRIMINATION against any nation or its citizens or subjects in respect of the conditions of traffic or otherwise such conditions of traffic to be just and equitable

In reply to this the advocates of free tolls to a portion of American shipping reply It is our canal We have a right to say who shall pay tolls and who shall not It is our canal but we have solemnly agreed with Great Britian and the world that in its operation there shall be no discrimination whatever and that agreement was a proper one to make and a good one to keep

The American coastwise shipping interest has paid a relatively small share of the cost of the canal Why should it enjoy the privilege of a free pass when the great bulk of the American taxpaying people who are footing the canal bill have to pay?

If this cry for a free canal for American shipping is sifted down to the bottom it will be found to rest upon a very small and a very sordid basis and a great many American people who have been vociferous in their demands for it will wonder what they have been yelling for.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE

Henry Clews the New York banker and financial writer makes the rather startling statement that the Monroe Doctrine is of English origin He says.

As a nation we are exceeding sensitive about the Monroe Doctrine the indefinite claims of which are always a source of possible international difficulties It may not be generally known that this doctrine really originated with Canning, the Prime Minister of England in the early days of this Republic who in an offset to the threatening powers of the Holy Alliance suggested this policy to the American Minister in London He in turn promptly forwarded the suggestion to Washington where its value was quickly recognized by President Monroe and his Cabinet The astute monarchic pronouncement followed declaring our intentions in regard to countries south of us Great Britain has consequently always been friendly to any reasonable interpretation of the Monroe Doctrine more so than Germany or any other European power and her endorsement undoubtedly strengthens our ability to enforce it

England may have suggested the Monroe Doctrine, and it may have served the purpose of her diplomacy at the time But it was not so pleasing in late occasions, notably in the Venezuela matter

PENROSE

The Honorable Boies Penrose has added his announcement to those of other aspirants and in doing so he gives some plain unvarnished facts in support of his candidacy that are worthy of careful consideration by the voter

Senator Penrose has been in public life long enough to satisfy any personal vanity it might have contained for him but he has in the meantime by his application and ability become the leader of his party in the highest legislative body in the land He is better able to serve the people of Pennsylvania and the Republican party of the nation now than he ever was before

He is submitting his claims to the Republicans at the primary He will doubtless be the choice of the rank and file of the party though there will be opportunity for those who have other preferences to express them fully and freely

If he is the nominee it will be time for Republicans to forget factional differences and remember that in spite of possible assertions to the contrary by opposition parties, Republican policies, not Penrose will be the issue

ELIMINATION FOR REVENGE

The Bull Moose aim in Pennsylvania is the elimination of Penrose

Penrose is a useful member of the United States Senate His knowledge and experience are great His position in his party is commanding Pennsylvania's industries need him where he is Why should he be eliminated?

The fight against Penrose is one of revenge It is a private feud Penrose was one of the leaders in the Taft fight at the Chicago Convention He is down for slaughter in the black books of T Roosevelt.

It is announced that the latter will make a special campaign in Pennsylvania for the Washington party ticket and his friend Pinchot But it is really a campaign against Penrose and Pinchot is only an agency a willing tool in Roosevelt's hands.

It might be observed in closing that T Roosevelt's Penrose policy has the cordial endorsement of W Flinn

The Connellsville region is perhaps a natural haven for refugees from war-torn countries. There's plenty of holes to hide in.

THE BAREFOOT CAMPAIGN

The announcement of the Honorable Bruce Foster Sterling head of the Barefoot Boys of Fayette county, of his candidacy for State Senator does not come as a surprise It has been a matter of common political report for some months past and it is evidently a part of the general plan of the Barefoot Combine to take over the administration of the State of Pennsylvania as fully and completely as it has taken over the administration of the Democratic party in Pennsylvania.

The plan is to make Palmer United States Senator and national leader McCormick Governor and Sterling director Sterling State Senator and legislative whip The plan includes a Democratic Legislature as well as a Democratic Governor It is a very large and bold undertaking but if the Barefoot Boys can fool the people into the belief that they are humble public servants and not arrogant political bosses they hope to get away with it There is no present prospect of their doing so, and there will be less as time draws on and the Republicans get closer together but the Democrats generally and the Barefoot Boys particularly are sodden with the intoxicating notion that their party and their personality won popular approval in 1912 when as a matter of fact they were the beneficiaries of a factional quarrel between the members of a better party representing wiser policies and greater skill in governing

The Democratic program is ambitious It is almost haughty in its pride Dictator Palmer announces that he does not fear the Republican opposition But is it not written that Pride goeth before a fall and a Haughty spirit before destruction?

Watch the destruction begin right here in Fayette county

POLITICALLY-OWNED PAPERS

Commenting upon the change in ownership and management of the Uniontown News Standard the McKeesport News says

Some day some legislature in some state, may pass a law that will keep politicians and public men who have axes to grind, from operating newspapers Then the press will win back the confidence of the people that is slowly but surely losing ground in some communities

Turning to the columns of our esteemed McKeesport contemporary we note with interest that its president is J Denny O'Neil To be sure Denny is a merchant by occupation but recent events have indicated that he has become a politician by profession

In view of this polite hint on the part of the able editor of The News J Denny should in justice to the paper if not to himself remove his name from the signboard

TEARING UP STREETS

The objections of the public service companies and others to the proposed ordinance regulating the tearing up of the paved streets is well taken When it is desired to reach a water main or a gas main the necessity is often very urgent and there should be no obstacles in the way

The ordinance might be amended giving everybody the right to tear up streets for proper purposes on short notice but restricting their restoration to the city contractor having the duty in hand The crux of the matter lies in putting the streets in proper repair after they are disturbed and save only in the matter of safeguarding the excavation against accidents of travel not at all in the manner of their opening

Anybody can dig up a paved street but not everybody can restore it properly

THE SERPENTINE PATH

Commenting on the description of the Palmer McCormick dinner where it is stated that while the dining was on a boom for M M Cochran a prominent lawyer of Uniontown for Congressman at large was given prominence by the marchers from Fayette county filing into the room headed by a string band and doing a serpentine march around the tables the Uniontown Herald says Our respected fellow townsman if he is as wise as a serpent will peek into the motives of some of the gentlemen who are making use of his name to bolster up their machine and find out how much of his cash they will expect to purify the politics and purify the party in this county The serpentine march is a very crooked path and hard for a straight man to follow

THE POINT OF VIEW

The graduating class of the Somerset High School will dispense with commencement exercises and take a trip to Washington City to finish their education by looking the statesmen over

It is all a horrible mistake

Looking at the statesmen, and even hearing them discuss statesmenship will be a sad disappointment It is a lamentable fact that the closer one gets to the Washington statesmen the smaller they look

The Somerset boys and girls had better have their commencement exercises at home and retain their long distance opinion of Washington statesmen

PLAYGROUNDS

Coasting is exhilarating and healthful, except when the sled hits a pole or runs into a vehicle or tries to butt the railroad train off the track It is not so healthy then It seems that it cannot under existing circumstances be enjoyed without some of these dangers

The Young Women's Christian Association building movement might be enlarged to take in a playground for big and little children where coasting and skating in the winter and bathing and swimming in summer might be enjoyed with comparative safety by an infinitely larger number of beneficiaries

Charlie Schwab has become the Jim Hill of the Chilean ore fields with the advantage of being able to consume his own ore without having to lease it to a big corporation which won't know whether it can hold the lease until the Trust Busters pass on the matter

The Uniontown baseball fans have captured a place in the circuit and what is infinitely more important a rich man to finance the club Connellsville ought to advertise for a baseball Angel.

THE Y W C A PROPOSITION.

The movement for the erection of a Young Women's Christian Association building equipped with a gymnasium and baths for the purpose of enabling the women to take physical culture with moral atmosphere is holding enterprising Captions critics may inquire whether the building is to be for the association or the association for the building but they cannot deny that the movement is highly progressive

The only obstacle in the way of the complete success of the undertaking is the matter of financing It Buildings such as that involved in the proposition are expensive The Young Men's Christian Association building which is represented is being too small and too old fashioned cost a great deal of money and the money is not all paid yet

This has not been the fault of the public spirited citizens of the community who have given long and liberally The trouble seems to be that the association is not sufficiently self supporting The cost of its maintenance has become a rather serious tax upon the generosity of an unexcelled complaining public Before proceeding too far it might be well for the promoters of a new Young Men's (or Young Women's) Christian Association building to inquire whether Connellsville is willing at this time to contribute in any way the cost

It is found that this is not a propitious occasion to raise such a building fund the ladies who have the physical culture idea need not despair No doubt they can hire a hall and be perfectly independent financially as well as physically

It is alleged that the eastern railroads are owned and controlled by a few great systems But with the Interstate Commerce Commission ready to regulate their freight rates on demand the matter of ownership is of minor consideration It should also be remembered that without consolidation railroads wouldn't go very far

Versaria may have been an American citizen, but his name is Mexican

Monongahela is chasing a wire wheel company and the Connellsville Chamber of Commerce is rounding up a City Beautiful movement Both are worthy objects of pursuit but the fact should not be lost sight of that advancement is possible and desirable only when progress and prosperity abound

The visit of the Texas Rangers in Mexico was wholly unofficial

The Good Roads spring and summer movement in Fayette county has not extended north of the Yough With a proper effort it might be pushed over the stream Get together and shove

The worst fires happen in the winter which is the worst time they could happen

The Senatorial committee which investigated the West Virginia coal strike reports that the trouble is all over and there's no use saying anything more about it Very sensible report

Harry Thaw was unfortunate in his selection of lawyers one has been disbarred and another died in jail

The announcement that the Western Maryland will be double tracked between Cumberland and Connellsville is not official and its accomplishment may be remote But if it is actually under consideration at the present time is flattering to the prospects of Connellsville

Another West Virginia judge has invited impeachment He decided in favor of a railroad company

A Mount Pleasant man has a hen that lays a horseshoe and a Virginia farmer has a cat is said to bring good luck but the luck seldom comes right along with the cat in such tangible form and gratifying proportions

Meyersdale is manufacturing shirts and neckties setting the styles as well as the industrial pace for Somerset county

Mexican money is only worth fifty cents a hundred now but when Huerta gets through printing his $500,000,000 worth of paper it won't be worth thirty cents a thousand While Secretary Bryan is considering the diplomatic situation in Mexico he ought to make a special study of the currency system

It is expected that the sudden call for bank statements is borne of a desire of the Wilson administration to know how its first financial year has panned out It is to be hoped that with the knowledge will come wisdom

Every Republican no matter what his proclivities may have been during the past couple of years ought to go to the polls on March 17th or 18th and enroll himself in the ranks again

The making of moving pictures is sometimes quite as exciting as it looks.

The front platform of the trolley cars is near after to be reserved for the motorman by order of the Public Service Commission The motorman will have a hard time holding his own especially in the good old summer time

After his return from Europe where he will preach the Gospel of Peace Premier Ely in will be sent to South America It looks as if the program had better be reversed

Secretary Bryan seems to have been appointed the advance agent of diplomacy Woodrow will take personal charge of the home office

The Fayette county doctors in convention assembled have resolved that they do not want their names mentioned in the newspapers any more Are the medicos getting modest or have they been doing something?

The Bull Moose organ says Bill Dawson with its able assistance won the fight for the city charter in Uniontown last fall Perhaps the people had something to say about it It was a popular measure Possibly it might have won without Bill and the Bull organ.

Abe Martin

In th' old days before th' player piano an th' phonograph a fellow could visit his friends with out trouble

It must be great t be rich an let th' other fellow keep up appearances

You never see a poor man in th' hands o his friends

Some folks act so silly after they receive a compliment that they never get another

Wherever there's a corner grocery there's a lot o free trade

Once in a long while some feller retires from a poultry farm instead o quittin

Next t a feller buggy whip with a blue ribbon tied t it there isn't noth in that looks as good t a country boy as a street car conductor

Th ole time father who used t go home at noon an eat a hearty dinner now has a married son who refuses t take any chances

Some folks are too polite t do up t any good.

What's become o th ole fashioned dog named Carlo?

Mr and Mrs Lafe Bud entertained a few neighbors last evenin but were soon separated

A polite feller has got about as much chance these days as a backward lookin Democrat

The people who helped to form the large combinations of capital ten years ago are kept busy just now explaining how they did it and what the effects have been If there is anything about Big Business that little Congressmen do not know it is not because they have not appointed plenty of investigating committees to inquire

It is said that Joy comets in the morning, but he Greensburg Tribune opines that it isn't the morning after

South Connellsville wants fire plugs and fire protection but the Socialist Council balks when the word franchise is mentioned Why not just leave it out of the agreement and so head The water mains are in the ground now, the borough wants the water the citizens want it too We take it that it is now a matter of ways and terms rather than of rights that are at least partially established

The Fayette County Board of Underwriters met here last week but they didn't write anything off the insurance rates

The Fayette County Sealer of Weights and Measures declares that the family scales are a factor in the problem of reducing the high cost of living Father should weigh the question well

The candidates for Scottdale's post office grow in number but the fish are not applying

It has been discovered at Washington that the Baltimore Platform is a joke Is it possible that after all the Baltimore convention was a joke on Bryan?

The Army of the Unemployed in the Connellsville coke region has arrived to the ground writing for the Recall

The practice of burning oily packing in coal cars during freezing weather in order to make their pinching easier is proof of the fact that in some cases free spotting service would be economy for the railroads

Some of the coke reviews emanating from Uniontown are remarkable for everything but accuracy

The open grate has claimed another victim in this vicinity The only safety lies in screening it Do it now Next week it may be too late

The spotting problem looks like thirty cents to the Connellsville coke operators

These Democratic times may be wildly prosperous but it can't be proven by the B & O telegraph operators who have been laid off

The boy who goes to school regularly and studies diligently doesn't make as much noise as the lad who runs the streets and frequents the pool rooms but the chances are that he will get further in the race of life

There seems to be a remarkable absence of the jingo element in Congress and the country

If Gentle Spring does not come with the vernal equinox we will have to conclude that the weather signs have all frozen up

Now that the bars are down and the field is open to every ambition under our new primary election system candidates are shy about coming forward On the other hand there is no unwillingness to be slated The Democratic and Bull Moose tickets are already hand picked and announced by the erstwhile denouncers of bossism Bossism is an issue in this campaign

The unemployed of New York are demanding work at the churches There would be more reason in a demand at the Capitol or the White House

Fire alarms came in at a lively rate yesterday morning but upon the whole Connellsville has reason to congratulate herself on the remarkable absence of fires during the severe weather through which we have passed

Looking Backward.

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier

FRIDAY MARCH 14 1884

Coke prices remain firm at $1 20 for furnace $1 35 for foundry and $1 75 for crushed all per ton of 2000 pounds at ovens

The burial of examining board called for safety lamps only has been used in the Youngstown mine as ordered by Mine Inspector Stinner

After an idleness of two months the strip in miners at Shaft and Leisenring return to work

In the libel suit of Rev R C Marshall against the Pittsburg Leader the jury finds for the defendant the plaintiff being directed to pay the costs

Members of the graduating class of the public schools built their lessons in credible fashion in the annual examination Members of the class are Annie Abel Clara Thom Dora Miller Frank Patterson Dunn and Karl Cameron

Trains now run through from Connellsville to Chicago by way of Pittsburg over the Baltimore & Ohio railroad

Arrangement is on foot to build a telephone line between Connellsville and Uniontown

The Fayette County Republicans of the county Judge John K Ewing did not attend the election held at Greensburg Saturday and endorsed Judge Ewing for President and recommended a delegate to the Republican National convention

Being at a general running the miners of the Cambria Iron company have stood on the ties that the bosses must employ examiners to inspect each morning for indications of gas and where any is found permit only lamps only to be used

FRIDAY MARCH 9 1894

Detailed report of the coke trade for the week ending Saturday March 3 shows a total of 25,620 ovens of which 21,021 were active and 4,599 were idle with an estimated production of 3,503 tons

Shipments for the week were as follows 8,708 cars consigned to points west of Pittsburg 3,777 cars to points west of Pittsburg 3,350 cars to points east of Connellsville 1,138 cars a total of 17,000 cars all in western shipments

Coke prices are quoted as follows Furnace $1 60@1 85 foundry $2 00@2 50

Coke market shows considerable improvement Prices have stiffened and idle ovens are fired Furnaces in the Valleys are blowing in

Town council organized by electing Clair Stillwagon president Coke H Brown clerk I W Zimmerman treasurer E C Higbee and W H Brown solicitors and E J O'Brien engineer

The annual stockholders meeting of of Chaugnola Banking Company of Connellsville is held in New York The following directors are elected N A Hist J A Dewitt L C Higbee P G Oglevee Elizabeth S Moore J J Sanders and George H Martin

In the slander suit of James Leonard against A B Morton growing out of a horse trade the jury returned a verdict of $.00 for the plaintiff He asked $10,000

The new musical club effects a permanent organization with a membership of 25 Officers are President S J Hood vice president Miss Anna Tompson secretary Miss Harriet Stoufer treasurer Aloysius Coll

J A Zimmerman one of the leading grocers of town dies

250 WILL COMPETE

Many Students to Write City Beautiful Essays

Nearly 100 members of the sophomore and freshman classes of the high school have signified their intention of competing for the prizes offered by the First National Bank for the best essays outlining suggestions for civic improvement

Pupils in the seventh and eighth grades to the number of 150 are already at work on their compositions The contest will close on March 20

Licensed to Wed

Mathias Gferer and Marguerite Kungle both of Perryopolis Harry Earl Felton of Westmoreland county and Mary Etta Smith of Stewarton were granted marriage licenses in Uniontown Saturday

Leaves Estate to Widow

The will of Thomas Berry late of Scottdale has been probated at Greensburg The entire estate valued at $2,000 is left to his widow Mary Berry

THE CATERPILLAR.

By GEORGE FITCH,

Author of "At Good Old Siwash"

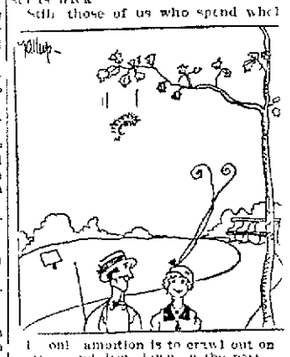
The caterpillar is a small fuzzy object which looks something like a young man's mustache in its first stage

The caterpillar is in fact the sophomore of the insect family He is voracious and undesirable but later on he will emerge from that state and become something entirely different The butterfly is as different as the caterpillar from which it comes as a freshman and father is from the bounding young sophomore of the open face ribbon bedecked type

The caterpillar usually emerges from obscurity in the spring and establishes itself in a comatose condition in a leafy summer He eats green things as the sophomore eats freshmen and in both cases some one else has to pay the bills Instead on the caterpillar is unpopular and the man who provides one with a fork until it departs this life in a mass of inner envy has to stay up night before his tumbling conscience with both hands

Some caterpillars are very beautiful being gorgeously decorated with various colored fur like a man in winter time As a matter of fact the caterpillar is all dressed up and has somewhere to go He wonders among insects into chrysalis and his only ambition is to crawl out on the edge of a leaf twig and drop down upon the passing pedestrian It takes the caterpillar about two weeks to crawl a mile and at the end of the journey he generally turns around and starts back

Still those of us who spend whole



Locomotion is to crawl out on twig and drop down in the passing pedestrian

days watching automobiles chase each other round a mile track should remember that the caterpillar is entitled to some amusement

PENROSE OUT FOR SENATE; TARIFF IS ISSUE OF CAMPAIGN

Senator Attacks the Record of Democratic Administration.

TAKES A FLING AT THE BOSSES

New Era in Politics He Declares in Urging a Fair Trial for Primary System Keeping Hands Off State Right Predicts Republican Victory

WASHINGTON March 14—Placing the tariff to the front as the issue in the coming Pennsylvania campaign the Wilson administration Senator Penrose Saturday made a formal announcement of his candidacy for the Republican nomination for United States Senator

Senator Penrose has served for more than 30 years When his present term ends in March 1915 he will have completed 24 years of his service in the Senate and in his announcement he reiterates his intention to continue in the contest for the Senatorship and his prominence in the councils of Republican statecraft leads to his uncompromising position

Democratic tariff legislation now has gone into effect and notwithstanding its importance the chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance in recent speeches in his candidacy will attract the attention of the entire country to the character of his record in this turn of the Republican party to power

He will submit to the committee of which he is the head which passes upon all proposed tariff legislation before it is taken up in the Senate a position which by the way is not shared by other Democrats

In announcing his candidacy Senator Penrose discusses political conditions in Pennsylvania as well as national issues This is his statement in part

Within recent years there has come into politics a tendency which I regard as political which it behooves all parties and all citizens to organize The representative system of government has been materially broken down Work previously done by the convention has been taken over to a very large extent by the individual voter Whatever differences of opinion may have existed in the past it is evident that this change has come to stay and should be cheerfully acquiesced in by everyone as the final decision of a majority of the people

The popular primary should be conducted in a fair and impartial manner On May 19 the electors of the various parties in Pennsylvania will be called upon for the first time to nominate a full state ticket In regard to this ticket I have studied to avoided any expression which might be in any sense an attempt to override the effort to the spirit of the state wide primary law

It would seem that the Democratic party and the so called Washington party in Pennsylvania have not as yet awakened to the new dispensation Leaders in the Democratic party have met in Washington and in defiance of the President have proclaimed a slate and issued their orders to the electors as though the popular primaries were a mere formality without consideration

In the same way a few members of the so called Washington party under the leadership of a notorious municipal contractor have met in Harrisburg have proclaimed their fidelity and issued instructions as to who should be nominated for Senator and Governor and the other offices and have decided that no other shall apply

It remains for the Republican party to demonstrate its fidelity to the principles of the state wide primary law which have been so lightly cast aside by the leaders of the two other parties

At the urgent solicitation of many persons in all walks of life I have consented to become a candidate to succeed myself as United States Senator I propose to make a full disclosure as to my record during 18 years of service in the Senate of the United States and as part of that discussion I welcome the candidacy of any Republican who may aspire to the nomination of the Republican party for the office of United States Senator at the approaching primaries

I believe that the paramount national issue in Pennsylvania is the maintenance of the protective policy of the Republican party I participated actively in the framing of the Dingley law in 1897 and in 1909 it was my good fortune to have the opportunity in a public debate of aiding the Hon Reed in the passage of that law The Dingley bill was passed I think it was admitted generally that there was no industry in Pennsylvania which has not been afforded full opportunity to be considered and had not been afforded ample provision for its growth The great interests of the industries of the United States are represented in Pennsylvania and the magnitude of this task can be understood

The protective system has been abandoned temporarily by the American government The results of the Democratic legislation on the industries of Pennsylvania are daily become more and more apparent to all men and we cannot expect a revival of industrial business activity so long as these conditions remain as they are at Washington

I have been amazed at the so called policy of watching waiting which part of the present administration has since entered upon with its facts and figures I cannot detect this policy any more than I can find of diplomacy and in consequence the administration finds itself in a position of a

In its supine course this administration has been callous to the appeal of American citizens and has exhibited a lack of patriotism which has brought our diplomacy into contempt in the eyes of Mexico and the world

American citizens—men and women—have been murdered Property to the value of a million dollars belonging to American people has been destroyed Americans have been notified by the State Department with brutal indifference that they should abandon the country while they had spent all their lives leaving unprotected their families and their property I have never advocated political intervention in Mexico but I have advocated intervention when I believe it would be followed by an expression of opinion by other governments with the purpose of protecting American citizens and their property and if such intervention should be followed up by sending American troops to the threatened points to afford the same Had such action been taken early in the Mexican situation it would have been supported by the American people with high respect for the American citizen which always existed in him until the advent of the Wilson administration

Democratic success in the security by the Senate of the Wilson administration has begun to be seen by the more evident that Democrats are falling to the party standard all over the state and throughout the country and that the party will be successful in Pennsylvania and in the United States in the election to be held in November

NO PLATFORM RUSH

Neither is Organization Committed to Any Candidate, Says Crow

It is doubtful if the Republican party in Pennsylvania will adopt a state platform until after the May primary election State Chairman W J Crow said yesterday that the advisability of calling the state committee together at this time for such a purpose had been under discussion for some time He was not sure but that it would be well to allow the candidates for the various nominations to go before the people in the primary on their own declaration of principles, and after the party's standard bearers have been selected, have them assist the state committee in the formulation of a declaration to present to the voters in the fall campaign

Chairman Crow was in conference in Pittsburg yesterday with the county leaders in several western counties and returned home last night. He declared emphatically that the state organization was not committed to the support of any candidate for any office and would not be The party primary he insisted would offer a fair field for all aspirants

FIRST-SECOND DIRECTORS

Comptroller of Currency Approves Tentative List.

A tentative list of directors for the reorganized First-Second National bank submitted to the comptroller of the currency in Washington last week has been approved by him

This list includes I B Finley C H Mosser F Rogers Flannery L M Moreland E L Crawford, John A Donaldson F B Minard W L Curry J M Hillman and David P Lawman all of Pittsburg William H Hulme and Lawrence Sands Wheeling W Va William H Ramsey Alliance O and S W Morgan McKeesport.

BRIDE OF WEEK HAS HUSBAND ARRESTED ON BIGAMY CHARGE

Awaiting Aid to Settle Board Bill, He Hears of New Trouble.

WIFE NO. 1 MAKES A FUSS

When Prisoner Hears Morgan Woman is Headed His Way to Know Why He Took a Second Mate, He Admits It; Girl Wants Marriage Called Off.

While congratulating himself that relatives and friends were helping him settle a suit for absconding a board bill of $17 brought by Louie Crope of Swangertown, Corlitt C. Boland, alias Grover C. Thompson, found himself facing a charge of bigamy preferred by Alice May Wolf, to whom he had been married but eight days.

Constable John Snyder served a warrant on Thompson Tuesday, information having been sworn out before Alderman S. H. Howard for jumping his board bill. In the meantime Mrs. Thompson No. 2, was entertaining a woman friend from Adelaide at their home on South Arch street. In the course of their conversation the visitor imparted the startling information to Mrs. Thompson that her husband had previously been married to Annie Ansel of Morgan station.

Irate at the deception practiced upon her, Mrs. Thompson started up street and, meeting Constable Snyder, demanded that he get their marriage license back from Alderman W. D. Colborn, who performed the ceremony she thought married them, on March 2. Surprised at this new development, the constable explained that it would be impossible to do anything but prefer a charge of bigamy. In the meantime Thompson was in the lockup, confident that his relatives would satisfy the claim against him for board and secure his release, in order that he might return to his bride.

When confronted with the new charge he denied that he had ever been married before until he heard that Mrs. Thompson No. 1 had started on her way from Morgan Station to prefer a similar charge against him. He then confessed and pleaded that the first Mrs. Thompson be called off.

"Why shouldn't a fellow marry again, if his first wife leaves him?" he demanded.

Thompson was arraigned on the board bill charge before Alderman Howard last night and committed to jail in default of bail.

Thompson is about 22 years old and was employed as a car repairer for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. He was married to Miss Ansel two years ago.

JUDGE W. H. RUPPEL REFUSES 16 LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Somerset County Jurist Grants 33 Retail Permits to Sell Intoxicants; Treating Order Ignored.

SOMERSET, March 11.—Judge William H. Ruppel yesterday afternoon handed down his decisions on applications for liquor licenses in Somerset county, disposing of 55 petitions. All the old hotels excepting Wilson Walkers's at Stoyestown, 35 in number, are granted, with four breweries, six distilleries and one wholesaler. Sixteen new applicants for the retail privilege are refused. The petition of Samuel Paschke of West Salisbury is held over, and those of John H. Altmiller of Meyersdale and Harry G. Spiranogle of Somerset were withdrawn.

The following licenses were refused: Retail, Benson, Charles J. Ripple; Berlin, Charles McIntyre, Alfred B. Filkner; Confluence, W. C. Grove; Garrett, John Clark; Hooversville, Lewis W. Brohm, Russell G. Benford; Meyersdale, John Hartle; Shade, John F. Werner, Albert L. Walter, Martin R. Brennan; Stoyestown, Wilson J. Walker; Windber, John Metz, Frank Lowrey, Albert L. Gohn, Paul Pachuda.

Last March Judge Ruppel made a rule for the year prohibiting treating in the bars, but it was so universally violated that it is ignored by the court in dealing with the liquor question this year.

WILL BUY BLOODHOUNDS

Special Officer T. C. Phalin Proposes to Train Two Pups.

The bloodhound is becoming popular as an aid to officers in running down criminals in Fayette county. Their success in locating the South Connellsville chicken thieves on Sunday, though in a measure aided by the intuition of "Turkey" Morris, who as a trusty in the county jail was sent down in charge of them, has placed them in high standing.

Special Officer T. C. Phalin of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad has announced his intention of securing two pups, which he will train to assist him in his work. They will be his own personal property and he figures that they will be of material aid. Full grown dogs come high, some of them costing as much as $125; but taken when they are young they do not cost so much. Their training has to be very carefully done.

The Newcomer bloodhounds have run down a number of criminals. Not so long ago, they were called on to trace chicken thieves in Dunbar, but when they pointed out their quarry, the man whose chickens were stolen refused to prosecute.

CLAIMS EGG RECORD.

New Salem Man Got 413 Eggs From 26 Hens in February.

J. S. Fritts of New Salem comes forward with a record for egg-laying which he claims has that of Mr. Snupe of Mount Pleasant completely beaten.

Mr. Fritts declares that he got 413 eggs from 26 white leghorn hens during February, while Snupe collected 356 from 14 hens of the same breed.

DELORENZI PLEADS GUILTY TO SECOND DEGREE MURDER

Case Growing Out of Vanderbilt Killing Taken From Jury by Agreement.

UNIONTOWN, March 11.—After the commonwealth had closed its case in the trial of John DeLorenzi for the murder of John McGuire, a long consultation between the defendant and his attorneys resulted in a proposal to plead guilty of murder in the second degree, which was accepted by District Attorney Ray Shelby. The court accordingly directed the jury.

Senator William E. Crow pleaded for leniency for his client, declaring that his wife and four children at home in Vanderbilt would be the ones to suffer. DeLorenzi broke down and wept during his attorney's plea. Sentence was not imposed.

Scott Younkin of Brookvale, was placed on trial today charged with the theft of chickens from Charles Reshenberg, who lives in the same vicinity. Constable William Roland was the principal witness for the prosecution, telling that he found the chickens in Younkin's attic. Younkin was acquitted.

Joseph Dudgeon was placed on trial for carrying concealed weapons, George Popp of Bellevernon being the prosecutor. A great many witnesses were called on both sides and the case was hard fought. Dudgeon was found guilty.

Christian Hansberry was acquitted of the charge of non-support preferred by his wife, Cinderella, who will divide with the county in paying the costs.

John Sager, convicted of assault and battery and robbery, was sent to the workhouse for eight months. Shipley Spahr, an electrician, was convicted of an attack upon Mrs. H. K. Wilkinson of Uniontown, but was recommended to the mercy of the court.

Joseph Armstrong was acquitted of pointing firearms but directed to pay the costs. George A. McCurder, prosecuted by Chief Rottler of Connellsville for open lewdness, was convicted. Orville L. Clair entered a plea of nolle contendere on a charge of assault and battery and escaped on payment of costs.

J. C. Hagerman was appointed assessor for Lower Tyrone township in place of G. H. Orbin, deceased.

John Cubic was convicted of desertion and non-support. A conviction was returned against Cal Harvey for assault and battery after the charge of attempted robbery was dropped. Edward Zimmerman and Jack O'Leary, both of Connellsville, were convicted of robbery. Joe Conyar pleaded guilty to being a tramp.

J. W. King and Lloyd King, both of near Smithton, were acquitted on a larceny charge.

BIG WORK IS AHEAD.

West Penn Plans $15,000 Expenditure in Relaying Tracks Here.

That it will cost the West Penn $15,000 for work on its tracks in Connellsville during the coming year was the statement of Chief Engineer J. L. Fritsch following last night's council meeting.

Mr. Fritsch told the councilmen that it would be necessary to virtually relay every rail within the town. Ties and joints have become worn and must be replaced.

The heavy expense facing the company on this account is one of the reasons for the strenuous effort to keep down the license tax.

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DEATHS OF THE DAY

Mrs. Margaret A. Echard.

Mrs. Margaret Alice Echard, 53 years old, wife of Joseph B. Echard, died Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at her home in North Pittsburg street, of pneumonia which developed six weeks ago from a heavy cold. Although she rallied at times no hope was entertained by members of the family for her recovery. Funeral Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence with Rev. R. C. Wolf, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church and Rev. W. J. Everhart, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment in Hill Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Echard was a daughter of Thomas and Mary Belle Evans and was born in Connellsville January 18, 1855, and spent all her life here. On March 29, 1888, she was married in Connellsville to Joseph B. Echard. She was a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church and was closely identified with the work of the church. She was a member of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies and the Ladies' Aid Society.

In addition to her husband and a daughter, Margaret Mae, wife of J. L. Rodrigues of Bellevue, she is survived by two grandchildren, Mary Jo and John Thomas Rodrigues; two sisters, Mrs. E. J. Hamill of Massillon, O., Mrs. Sarah E. Smith of Youngstown, O., and four brothers David B. Evans of Connellsville; Thomas Evans of Kansas City, Kan.; J. N. Evans of Youngstown, O.; and George C. Evans of Warren, O.

William C. Adams.

William C. Adams, 77 years old, died on Tuesday morning at the family residence in East Green street, following a lingering illness of a complication of diseases. He had been confined to his room since last Thanksgiving eve. Funeral from the family residence Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with Rev. J. L. Proudfit, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment private in Hill Grove cemetery.

Mr. Adams was born on a farm near Cadiz, Harrison county, Ohio, a son of Samuel and Jane Adams. He was a farmer in Harrison county nearly all his life but since coming to Connellsville seven years ago he lived retired. He was married in Harrison county to Miss Mary Margaret Endsley, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Endsley. To the union ten children were born the following of whom survive: Samuel, Great Bend, Kan.; Robert Endsley, Marshalltown, Ia.; Frank T. Adams, Connellsville; Mrs. W. E. Playter, Collinsville, Ill.; Mrs. H. E. Brown, Brownsville, Tex.; John Quincy Adams, Uniontown; Mrs. John L. Rogers, Rogers Mill; Misses Mary and Clara Adams at home. His widow also survives. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and was highly esteemed by his many friends. In addition to his widow and children 17 grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Martha McKee of Furgson, Oklahoma, also survives.

Harry R. Freed.

Harry R. Freed, in his 68th year, died at his home in Mount Pleasant Saturday afternoon. Mr. Freed was born in Pennsville and spent his life from 14 years of age until he was a young man in the West. He was a graduate of the Bloomington State Normal school. In 1875 he returned to Pennsylvania where he taught school in Fayette county for several years. He entered business in Donegal in 1877 and two years later moved to Mount Pleasant, where he engaged in the mercantile business and became one of the best known merchants in Westmoreland county. In 1907 he was forced to retire on account of ill health. On January 1, 1878 he married Magdaline Stoner. To this union four sons were born. They are Dr. Raymond S. Freed, of Pittsburg, H. Walter, John S. and Charles R. Freed of Mount Pleasant, all of whom with their mother survive. Mr. Freed also has the following brothers living: George B., of Connellsville; Albert of Muscatine, Iowa; Clark, New Castle, Cal.; John of Bloomington, Ill., and James of Russell, Kansas. Mr. Freed was a former councilman, and a director of the Memorial Hospital. He has been a deacon, secretary treasurer of the First Baptist Church for years. Funeral services were held at his late home, Tuesday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock and interment was made in the local cemetery.

Mrs. Amelia Dull.

Mrs. Amelia Dull, 76 years old, died Sunday morning at her home at Hickory Square following a stroke of paralysis. Funeral tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence and at 2.30 o'clock from Hickory Square Church. Rev. T. M. Gladden of Dunbar, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. George Conaway of Uniontown, will officiate. Interment in Cochran cemetery at Dawson.

Mrs. Dull was a daughter of John and Elizabeth Richards Lane and was the wife of Joseph Dull. Nearly all her life was spent at Hickory Square. She was a member of the Methodist Protestant Church at that place for 56 years and was well known in Connellsville. In addition to her husband she is survived by the following children: Mrs. Mary Freeman, Scottdale; Mrs. Elizabeth Orbin, Broad Ford; Mrs. Emma Shank, Mount Sterling; Ellis P. and William Dull, Owensdale; Mrs. Maude Brown, Ripscoe; Joseph, George, Alberta and Lettie Dull, all at home. One sister, Mrs. Caroline Stillwagon, wife of Joseph Stillwagon of Connellsville township, also survives. Mrs. Dull was an aunt of Mrs. David Stillwagon, Mrs. B. L. Berg, Peter Stillwagon, and Miss Ida Stillwagon of Connellsville.

Mrs. Mary Kearns.

Mrs. Mary Kearns, about 80 years old, widow of Michael Kearns, died Friday night at the home of a daughter Mrs. Patrick Ruane of Youngstown, Pa. About two weeks ago she suffered a stroke of paralysis which with other complications of diseases resulted in her death. Mrs. Kearns was born in Ireland and has been in this country for over thirty years. Her husband died at Trotter about twenty-five years ago. Her maiden name was Miss Mary O'Bryon. Since the death of her husband she had made her home among her children, going from Trotter about four months ago to the Ruane home. The following children survive: Mrs. Michael O'Took, Thomas Kearns of Trotter, Matthew Kearns of Homestead; Mrs. Patrick Ruane of Youngstown; Martin Kearns and Mrs. Patrick Powers of Mammoth. Michael Kearns of Brownsville.

Miss Charlotte Wass.

Miss Charlotte Wass, 86 years old, died Monday at her home at Addison. She was a lifelong resident of Addison and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at that place since her early girlhood days. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1 o'clock from the church, with Rev. Thomas officiating. She was the last surviving member of the family.

Mrs. Sarah E. Butt.

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Butt, 68 years old, wife of Luther Butt, a well known resident of Breakneck, died Tuesday morning at the family residence. Funeral Thursday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from the Breakneck Union Church, with interment in Mount Olive cemetery.

Dennis Witt.

Dennis Witt, 77 years old, a veteran of the Civil War, was found dead in bed last week at his home about a mile from Rogers Mill, by his daughter, Mrs. Cora Witt. At midnight Tuesday while sitting in a chair he was seized with a chill and called his daughter to look after the fire. About 3 o'clock in the morning she awoke and found her father dead. He had been a sufferer of liver trouble for some time. He had resided on the farm where he died for a number of years, but had not been engaged in farming for several years on account of poor health. His wife died about 16 years ago. Among the surviving children are Miss Cora Witt, two sons, Oliver and Jordan Witt, near Rogers Mill.

Mrs. Elizabeth Spear.

Mrs. Elizabeth Spear, 78 years old, mother of H. S. Spear, formerly of Connellsville, died Friday at her home in McKeesport. Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas of this place is a granddaughter.

Mrs. Barbara Elford.

Mrs. Barbara Elford, about 85 years old, died last Wednesday at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Dennis Raymond at Snyderdown. Mrs. Elford was born in the Indian Creek valley and for the past three years had resided with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond at Snyderdown. Prior to that time she lived in Springfield township. Her husband, John Elford, died about nine years ago.

Thomas McGill.

Thomas McGill, 73 years old, died Thursday, February 26, at his home at Owensdale. Funeral services were held from the United Brethren Church of which he was a devout member Sunday afternoon with interment in Scottdale cemetery. In addition to his widow he is survived by the following children: Joseph and John McGill, Outcrop; Mrs. Elizabeth Murray, Pittsburg; Miss Nora McGill, West Newton, Misses Lillian, Maude, Mattie, Mabelle and Robert McGill of Owensdale, and C. D. Baker, Youngwood.

Mrs. Norah Beeghley.

Mrs. Nora Beeghley, 35 years old, died Sunday at her home at South Connellsville following an illness of complication of diseases. Funeral services were held Monday night at 8 o'clock from the family residence, Rev. C. W. Winey, pastor of the United Brethren Church officiated. The body was shipped to Coalport for interment by Funeral Director C. C. Mitchell.

Daniel C. Work.

Three months after the death of his wife, Daniel C. Work, a well known farmer of Dunbar township, died Sunday morning at his home at Leisenring, following an illness of rheumatism. Funeral Tuesday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from the family residence, with interment in Hill Grove cemetery.

Mr. Work had resided on a farm at Leisenring for a number of years. He was a son of Harris and Sarah Craft Work. For some time past he had been in poor health. He was 72 years old and is survived by three sons, William, in Ohio, Orton in Kansas and Samuel, Jr., at home, and the following brothers: George and Alexander of Uppermiddletown, Davis of Dunbar township; Samuel of Adelaide, and Andrew Work of Connellsville. He was a brother-in-law of Alex Hagel of Connellsville. Mr. Work died very suddenly on December 5.

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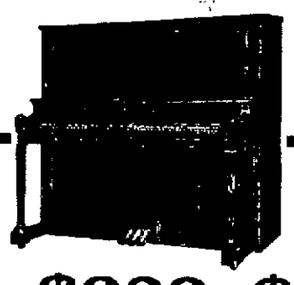

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MAYOR FREES GIRL ARRESTED BY NEW COP; NO EVIDENCE

Contends That Plain Clothes Man Failed to Make Out a Case.

ACCUSED OF STREET WALKING

Crowded Courtroom Applauds Verdict After Testimony is Heard; Plain-Clothes Man Calls No Witnesses and is Censured by the Girl's Attorney.

City Detective W. D. Eagan failed to make much of an impression with his first case before Mayor Marietta Saturday evening, it being dismissed for lack of evidence. Elizabeth Askin, a domestic employed by T. W. Baxter at his Water street hotel, was charged with street walking. She denied the charge and there was only Eagan's unsupported testimony against her. The plea of Attorney H. George May, who had been retained in her defense, resulted in her acquittal. A big crowd attended the hearing and there was an outburst of applause at the verdict.

Eagan called no witnesses, although Mayor Marietta quizzed Chief of Police Rottler and Policeman Thomas McDonald. Rottler was also called by the defense, which likewise offered the testimony of Mrs. Bella Baxter.

According to Eagan, he watched the Askin girl two nights and asserted that he had seen her in company with men. When arrested Friday night she was peering over the shaded window of the Trans-Allegheny bar. Eagan said he had been watching the girl for two months.

"If you have been watching her that long you ought to be able to produce witnesses against her," the mayor suggested. Eagan said he wasn't watching her particularly, but had been looking up all questionable characters during that time, thinking the knowledge might become useful sometime.

"Do you always look people over when you are waiting for a job?" Attorney May inquired. Eagan said he didn't always.

"You just figured that Connellsville people ought to be looked over? Is that it?" persisted the lawyer. Eagan offered no further explanation. It is understood that he was to have been appointed to the force some weeks ago, but there was a hitch in the councilmanic proceedings.

Chief Rottler, when called to the stand, stated that while he knew the Askin girl by sight, he had never classed her as a questionable character. He said he had seen her frequently on the streets, and often in the company of one or men and sometimes with women of questionable character, but had never seen her solicit men.

The only other policeman on duty was McDonald. He was called. He testified that he had been watching the woman for some time past, and that he had been given orders to arrest her if she was seen soliciting. He did not state from whom the orders came, and by the time Mayor Marietta propounded this question later in the evening he had left city hall. McDonald also testified that he had seen the girl loitering along Water street, under the bridge, and that she had met men. She was never arrested.

Mrs. Baxter testified that she had known Miss Askin for nine years and never knew of her being in trouble. She has steady company, said Mrs. Baxter, and meets him on the street because there is no place in the hotel for the girls to entertain their male friends. Mrs. Baxter further testified that she never knew of Miss Askin being classed as a street walker. She knows her sister and mother. The mother lives at Adelaide, Mrs. Baxter said. Later Miss Askin placed her mother's residence at Star Junction.

When the defendant took the stand she declared that on the night mentioned by Detective Eagan, she met her brother-in-law, who is a night yardmaster, her sister and a girl friend. She met no men. When arrested, she declared, she was looking for her steady company, having sent him a note to meet her earlier in the evening. She denied telling Eagan that "Baxter would fix it up" if he would take her to the hotel.

After the evidence had been submitted, Attorney May made a plea for acquital. He insisted that no evidence had been submitted showing the girl to be a street walker, and declared that a conviction should not be entered unless there was absolutely no doubt of guilt. There was considerable doubt in this case, he asserted.

Mayor Marietta held that Egan had failed to make out a case. He criticised the plain-clothes man for not bringing in witnesses to back up his story. "If you have been following this girl for two months past you ought to have plenty of witnesses by this time," he said.

"I'll dismiss this case. Even if this girl was guilty she has been sufficiently punished," was the mayor's verdict. The $10 forfeit she posted was returned.

LANDSLIDE ON B. & O.

Trains on Sheepskin Delayed Two Hours at Point Marion.

A small landslide on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad near Point Marion about midnight Saturday caused a delay of two two hours to the Sheepskin trains. It was removed in a short time and service resumed as usual on Sunday. A large number of Connellsville people returning from Saturday night jaunts to points along the line did not arrive here until about 4.30 A. M.

The landslide which occurred over a month ago east of Indian Creek is still far from removed. Two steam shovels are working all the time, but the bad weather hampers the work and officials stated today that they could not predict when the slide would be removed from the west bound track.

NO PERSONAL REGISTRATION OF VOTERS UNTIL NOVEMBER

Usual Qualifications Will Apply at Primary, But Registrars May Be Named to Enroll Party Preference of Voters.

Personal registration for voters will not become effective in Connellsville until the November election. The existing laws do not provide for personal registration for primary elections, so that in the spring voting this year it will only be necessary for voters to register their party preference, under the party enrollment law. For voters who have already expressed preference, even this will not be necessary.

There is a dispute over whether registrars are to be appointed for the enrollment of voters who have not registered their party preference, or who wish to change their politics. It is said that the commissioners are not yet convinced that this cannot be done by the county assessors. City Solicitor Higbee holds that the county assessors have no authority for performing this duty in a third class city, and that registrars must be appointed. As the registration days are March 17 and 18, the matter must be decided at an early date.

Registrars are appointed by the county commissioners. Two are named for each ward from the two parties casting the highest vote at the last election. Republicans and Democrats will be named here. The party organizations recommend candidates or appointment as registrars and they are examined as to their fitness by the commissioners. If they qualify, they are appointed, otherwise other persons are named. Registrars are appointed for a term of three years.

For the November election it will be necessary for each voter to register personally before he will have an opportunity to cast his ballot. Those who could qualify for the primary this year under the borough law will be able to vote, but at the general election they must register on one of the three days fixed by law for that purpose.

SMALLPOX QUARANTINE COST MAY TOTAL $150

Health Officer Hyatt is Preparing Expense Account for Altman's Approval.

The cost of isolating William Brown, the negro who was taken with smallpox at the Davidson ovens on February 16, and released from quarantine at the pesthouse last Friday, will be close to $150. The biggest item of expense was the services of guards, who were paid $2 a day for 18 days, or a total of $72 for both of them, which will be paid by the state.

State Health Officer Allen Hyatt is preparing a report on the case and making an expense account, which will be submitted to Dr. O. R. Altman of Uniontown for approval before it is presented to the State Health Department for payment.

The poor board of the county and not the Connellsville township school board, Doctor Altman said today, will be called upon to pay for food, coal and incidentals for the four men who were confined to the pesthouse for 18 days. Though the guards declare that their food was not of the best and not any too plentiful, the bill for supplies will be a big item and it may be that $150 will prove a conservative estimate of the whole cost.

The cost of fumigation, which is also paid by the state, will be a big item of expense. More than 30 ovens were fumigated by Constable John Snyder, who acted for Health Officer Hyatt during his illness. Snyder also kept close surveillance upon the pesthouse to see that the quarantine was maintained.

The Connellsville Board of Health may charge rent for the use of the pesthouse. During the period of inactivity upon the part of the Board of Health, it was taken as a matter of course that the pesthouse could be used for quarantine purposes, though the case was discovered in Connellsville township.

The failure of the disease to spread among the other negroes who infested the coke ovens is due, however, to the precautions taken. Brown and Green, his companion, have disappeared.

HEIR TO BIG ESTATE

Mount Pleasant Man May Get Fine Farm and Cash.

MOUNT PLEASANT, March 9.—According to dispatches from Staunton, Va., Marion Byers of town, is the sole heir to an estate valued at close to $100,000 left by Miss Sue Delgar, an eccentric spinster who was found dead sitting in an arm chair in her handsome home at Staunton. Mr. Byers is the nearest living relative and as such will receive the bulk of the estate. He is now at Staunton attending the funeral.

When seen today, members of the Byers family declared that they had heard nothing of their father's good fortune. The only word they had had from Staunton was a telegram announcing Miss Delgar's death.

Miss Delgar, according to the dispatches, was last seen alive last Tuesday. She complained of not feeling well, but would not consult a doctor. A farm hand discovered her body the next day. Foul play was suspected but the coroner could find no marks of violence upon her body.

Deceased owned one of the most productive farms in that section of Virginia, but lived alone with a cat and dog, who ate their meals at her table. She had a distrust of banks though she kept some money in a Staunton institution. Search is being made for $20,000 in gold, said to be buried beneath the house.

JOHNSTON DECLINES.

Pinnacle Resident Will Not Serve on the Board of Health.

Joseph T. Johnston will not serve as a member of the Boarl of Health, a position to which he was recently elected by Council. Mr. Johnston debated the matter for sometime and finally reached the conclusion that he would not undertake the duties imposed.

This leaves a member from the Pinnace district to be named by Council Incidentally, the Pinnacle is well represented, Dr. Wakefield and Dr. Francis both living on the hill.

Revival Gains Converts.

As the result of evangelistic services which are being held in the United Brethren Church at Owensdale, a number of new members have united with the church. Last week Rev. Rook from Walls station assisted Reverend Funk in conducting the meetings.

No Hope for Dynamiters.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—The Supreme Court today refused to review the conviction in the "dynamiting cases" of Frank M. Ryan and 23 other members of the ironworkers' union. Only a pardon can now keep the convicted men from the penitentiary.

S. CONNELLSVILLE WANTS FIRE PLUGS; DODGES FRANCHISE

Socialist Solons Will Not Give Water Company Perpetual Grant.

DISCUSSED BY THE COUNCILMEN

No Action at Last Night's Meeting, But Citizens Want Something Done to Eliminate Menace of a Conflagration; 30 Plugs Will Cover Town.

South Connellsville's plans for fire protection have assumed a new shape in the past few days. Since a recent serious fire sentiment in the matter of suitable apparatus favors the purchase of from 1,000 or 1,500 feet of fire hose and suitable trucks, but difficulties in the way of a franchise to the water company intervene. The matter was discussed at a meeting of council last Thursday.

The Connellsville Water Company has no franchise in South Connellsville and the Socialist solons there are opposed to the granting of a perpetual one, which the company desires. Anything up to ten years appeals to the councilmen, but the water company contends that it would be too expensive a proposition to undertake for so short a time.

The committee have agreed that 30 fire plugs would cover the town, and if hose trucks were stationed in the central portion and in the out-skirts, the protection from fires would be ample. This would necessitate the laying of about a mile and a half of six-inch pipe by the water company, as most of the mains at present are of but two-inch size. The proposition has been taken up with the water company, but no answer has been received.

A member of council stated today that they were ready to go ahead and purchase apparatus as soon as the water plug matter is settled. A new borough building will also be necessary to house part of the apparatus, provide a lockup and place of meeting for council.

SOMERSET WEDDINGS

Matings of Cupid Among the Frosty Sons of Thunder.

SOMERSET, March 9.—Miss Elizabeth Eash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Eash, of Conemaugh township, and Irvin M. Holsopple, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Holsopple of Quemahoning township, were married at Holsopple by Rev. James Saylor.

Miss Joanna Urban, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Urban, and John Wesley Fletcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey Fletcher, both of Listle, were married at Listle by Justice of the Peace Frank C. Daugherty.

Miss Mary E. Harker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Harker, and Henry J. Foncart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Foncart, both of Conemaugh township, were married at Holsopple by Justice if the Peace D. W. Border.

Miss Emma Schrock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Austin Schrock, and Charles Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob A. Miller, both of Jefferson township, were married at the parsonage of the Trinity Lutheran Church by Rev. I. Hess Wagner.

Miss Cora Coughenour, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Coughenour, and William Swearman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Swearman, both of Meyersdale, were married at the courthouse, Somerset, by Clerk Bert F. Landis.

ASSESSORS TO SERVE.

Commissioners Decide They Can Enroll the Voters Here.

The county commissioners have decided that the county assessors can enroll voters in Connellsville this month as to party preference, and will name registrars in June. They may alter this decision, as City Solicitor E. C. Higbee is firmly convinced the course is improper.

Higbee holds that assessors have no right to enroll voters in a third class city, and may urge his view upon the commissioners rather strongly.

Leaves Estate to Sister.

The will of Mrs. Anna Gray of South Connellsville was probated Monday in Uniontown. Two sister, Gwendolyn and Catherine Gray, are bequeathed $5 and another sister, Hannah Thomas, is given the remaining personal and real estate. Hanna Thomas and Joseph H. Thomas are the administrators. The estate is valued at about $3,000.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MAY BREAK; POLICE MATTERS THE ISSUE

Friction Develops Over Plain Clothes Cop During Meeting.

COUNCIL'S POWER QUESTIONED

Mayor Doubts Authority to Require Reports Direct to Members from a Man on Force; Hearing of Protests Against License Tax Deferred.

That Mayor Rockwell Marietta is no longer in sympathy with the majority members of City Council and an open breach may be expected at any time was indicated at Monday night's meeting when the mayor refused to concur in the approval of the minutes which called upon the plain clothes man of the police court reporting to other members of council, and a resolution directing that he be aided by members of the police force and permitting to incur "necessary" expenses in the conduct of his work.

Mayor Marietta questioned the legality of the policeman reporting direct to members of council, and declared that there was no necessity for the resolution directing the other policemen to assist him, orders having already been issued by him to that effect. The minutes were approved and the resolution adopted over the mayor's negative vote.

For the first time since the councilmen took charge of affairs arrangements were made for a conference at which all members could not be present. Financial matters must be discussed, and the members will go over them this afternoon. Mayor Rockwell Marietta stated that he would be out of town. As he failed to indicate what day this week might be satisfactory, and City Solicitor Higbee insisted that the councilmen get started at an early date, in order to be prepared for action on April 1, it was decided to meet without the mayor. Heretofore no conferences have been arranged that all members of council could not attend.

Aside from these points the meeting was harmonious. Little other than routine business was transacted. Council will meet next Monday night, when persons having objections against the license and street ordinances will be heard. No action was taken on those ordinances last night.

Quite a delegation was on hand to protest against the license ordinance, had it come up. The grocers were out in force, while the West Penn was represented by Chief Clerk H. L. Mitchell from General Manager W. E. Moore's office, Right of Way Agent E. T. Bushear and Chief Engineer J. L. Fritsch. M. V. Little, superintendent of the Connellsville Water Company, was on hand to protest against certain provisions of the ordinance regulating the tearing up of streets.

It being a regular meeting, the reading of the minutes took considerable time. The mayor's report was read and filed, together with a report of the city solicitor concerning liens. Mr. Higbee reported that the time had expired without liens being filed against the I. W. Rutter properties and that one against the John Heffley estate had been satisfied.

Mayor Marietta had no report for the department of public affairs. Superintendent Gans of accounts and finances presented Treasurer E. H. Floto's report showing the following balances: General fund, $2,397.91; refunding fund, $8,564.93; sinking fund, $5,936.15; sewer fund, $549.53; library fund, $913.00; firemen's relief fund, $4,231.02.

Mr. Gans reported that the claim against McClain Crossland for paving assessment had been settled by the payment of $159.16. Council accepted the settlement.

Councilman Duggan reported a communication from J. J. Thompson of the News concerning the town clock, suggesting that the city assume the task of taking care of it. Action was deferred and the clock will probably remain at "2.15" for the next week or so. Duggan also reported various complaints because water meters were running at "express speed," but no action was taken on that matter, either.

The special committee named to go over the exonerations asked by Tax Collector C. M. Miller reported that Mr. Miller's books were not in shape when the first meeting was held, and no further conference has been called.

The bond of the Yough Trust Company for $50,000 as city depository was approved.

Various orders were approved, including the awarding of a contract to The Courier Company for printing blanks and penal code folders, that company being the lowest bidder.

City Engineer Hirst submitted the Morrell avenue paving schedule showing $2,077.97 due from property owners, and $995.75 from the West Penn. The city's share of this work cost $343.24. Council adjourned at 9.45.

FIX TOWNSHIP TAX.

Upper Tyrone Will Use Crushed Stone On the Roads This Year.

The road supervisors of Upper Tyrone township met in the Tintsman school house, and after a conference with a number of citizens levied a road tax of 8 mills. It was agreed that crushed stone would be used for road repairs this year instead of clay and coke ashes, as has been the custom of late.

A meeting of citizens has been called for March 28, at 2 o'clock, when the matter of whether the roadmaster shall have to give bond for the faithful performance of his duties will be decided.

Mammoth Man Wants Divorce.

Charging desertion, Albert Tomanek of Mammoth has made application in the Greensburg courts for a divorce from his wife, Mary Tomanek of Mount Pleasant. Tomanek alleges his wife left him in April, 1904.

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"TURKEY" MORRIS AND HOUNDS RUN DOWN CHICKEN THIEVES

South Connellsville's Champion Fowl Grabber Assumes Role of Detective and Helps Jail Warden's Canines Make a Record.

Two vicious and bloodthirsty bloodhounds, panting and fretting at the chains which held them, and dragging in their wake one "Turkey" Morris, traced chicken thieves who robbed the coop of Joseph Vernon at South Connellsville two miles through the snow to Reidmore, into the house of Ed King, up the stairs to the second floor, occupied by Bob Montview, and rudely broke up a feast of nine young men.

"Turkey" appeared in a new role—that of catching chicken thieves. Usually he plays the part of catching chickens and being caught himself. What chance the chicken thieves had against "Turkey" and the bloodhounds was slim. Some people want to know why the bloodhounds were used at all.

When Mr. Vernon discovered Sunday morning about 10 o'clock that nine chickens had been stolen from his coop, he notified Constable Samuel Ritenour and the local police were consulted. Chief Rottler advised them to send for Jail Warden Newton Newcomer's bloodhounds. No sooner said than done, the bloodhounds, held in leash by "Turkey," now a jail trusty, arrived here at 11 o'clock, and without faltering led the way through the snow from the Vernon hen-house out to Reidmore.

Gathered around the festive board were Smith Pierce, Walter Pryor, Bob Montview, Harry Orndorff, George Hampshire, Roy Helms, Bill Hall, Ernest Younkin and Edward King. There was chicken on the table, chicken in the hands and mouths of the feasters, and more chicken boiling in a pot in the corner.

The banquetters admitted stealing the fowls, but declared there were only eight, instead of nine. They agreed to pay $25 for the chickens and the cost of bringing the bloodhounds down. The case was in process of settlement today.

CITIZENS ASK FOR RESIGNATION OF JOHN W. BENNETT

East Huntingdon Ones Object to Him Auditing His Accounts.

AS THE ROAD BOARD TREASURER

They Also Vote for the State Aid Road to Go Through Alverton Instead of Overton; Effect a Permanent Organization; Surprise party; News Notes.

SCOTTDALE, March 9.—The citizens meeting held at the Alverton high school building on Saturday heard the last report to be made by the "Lookout Committee" appointed at a similar meeting held sometime ago in regard to the road affairs of the township. The meeting organized the township citizens permanently Saturday with S. P. Sutor as president, J. Lyman Loucks as secretary and H. A. Medsgar as treasurer.

The object of the meeting it was stated was to join with the supervisors or have the supervisors join with the citizens in the best means of improving the highways. The township is obligated by a contract of the supervisors and commissioners to spend $9,600 for a state aid road, and two routes are optional with the Highway Department on the way of the road from Scottdale to Vandergrift, one road up through Swedetown and West Overton to Mount Pleasant or by way of up the hollow through Alverton. The citizens voted to urge the latter route as reaching more of the township and not so near the Fayette county line.

The sensational move of the meeting was the request that John W. Bennett resign his office as township auditor or resign his office as treasurer of the supervisors. It is objected that Mr. Bennett will audit and has audited his own accounts.

A request will be made of the supervisors for the time sheets of last year which they have so far refused to give up to any member of the committee, although they say the sheets will be produced at the proper time. The citizens meeting voted that now is the proper time. It is charged that overtime was turned in last year and paid for to the extent of a pretty good sum.

Another request was made of the supervisors that they will put state engineers, who are on salary from the state, on the grades that will be made in the township this year. The supervisors were meeting in the afternoon in the same building the citizens were in but send word a couple of times that they had no time to see the citizens. Henry Lowe, one of the supervisors was in the citizens gathering a short time.

EYE-WITNESS TELLS STORY OF VANDERBILT MURDER

Declares DeLorenzi Knocked McGuire Down After the Two Had Scuffled for a While.

UNIONTOWN, March 10.—Additional witnesses were heard today in the trial of John DeLorenzi, charged with murder in connection with the death of John McGuire, who succumbed to injuries alleged to have been suffered when DeLorenzi kicked him during an altercation at Vanderbilt last November.

The only eye-witness of the scuffle between the two men, an Italian named Baptiste Mornedo, testified that he had seen the men grappling with each other, each having hold of the others' coat. He declared that he saw McGuire break away and stoop to pick something up from the ground and that DeLorenzi knocked him down and kicked him.

Dr. G B. Roberts told of the injuries suffered by McGuire and of his condition during the time he was in the hospital.

Ott Collier, a surveyor, submitted profile maps of the locality in which the fight took place. There are ten more witnesses to be called by the commonwealth before the defense can open its case.

In outlining the case yesterday, District Attorney S. R. Shelby indicated that the commonwealth would ask a first degree verdict against the accused man.

MAKES A HIGH RECORD.

Westinghouse Electric Company Sales Bigger Than Ever.

A forecast of Westinghouse Electric Company's fiscal year, ending March 31, shows gross sales billed to customers establishing a new high record of probably $42,000,000, or $13,000,000 against $39,977,900 in 1913.

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EX-PRIEST PLACED ON TRIAL FOR THE MURDER OF M'GUIRE

Accused of Kicking Vanderbilt Man and Causing Death.

DIFFICULTY IN GETTING JURY

Several Talesmen Rejected Because of Prejudice Against Race or Opposition of Capital Punishment; March Term of Criminal Court Is Now On.

UNIONTOWN, March 9.—The March term of criminal court was opened today with the trial of John DeLorenzi, said to have been a Catholic priest in Naples, Italy, for the murder of John McGuire at Vanderbilt on November 23. DeLorenzi is accused of kicking McGuire in the stomach, inflicting injuries which resulted in the man's death. At a habeas corpus proceeding the court fixed the accused man's bail at $10,000 but he was unable to obtain his freedom.

It is alleged that DeLorenzi, who is said to have been intoxicated, became enraged when he saw McGuire doing some painting on Sunday, and attacked him. The man died later in the private hospital of Dr. G. B. Roberts.

Up to noon only two jurors had been secured. The first was Homer Mosel, a barber of Connellsville, and the second, Frank Wade, a laborer of Jefferson township. Several jurors were rejected. Some of them admitted a prejudice against an Italian who had killed an American, while others were opposed to capital punishment.

Attorney H. George May of Connellsville was appointed master in the divorce case of Dagmar S. Vandergrift against Jacob J. Vandergrift.

William Beggs of Hopwood was sentenced to pay his mother $2 a week, when arraigned for non-support. He was directed to give $100 bond to guarantee payment.

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AGED WOMAN FOUND DEAD BEFORE GRATE IN LEISENRING HOME

Mrs. Anna Getting's Body Aflame When Discovered by Neighbors.

MAY HAVE SUFFERED A STROKE

Absence of Evidence of a Struggle Lead Relatives to Believe That the Woman Was Dead Before She Fell Upon the Embers of the Grate Fire.

Mrs. Anna C. Gettings, an aged woman of Leisenring, was found dead in her home Friday night apparently having been burned to death. Whether she was stricken with paralysis and was dead when she fell into the open grate; or succumbed to burns, has not been definitely determined. She was found by neighbors about 6.30 o'clock.

Father J. J. Greaney, pastor of St. Vincent De Paul's Church at Leisenring, of which Mrs. Gettings was a member, called on the aged woman Friday afternoon and when he left she was sitting in a chair before a grate fire, apparently in her usual health. After reaching his home Father Greaney had a telephone message sent to the home of Mrs. Gettings' son, Patrick Gettings at Leisenring No. 3, requesting that his daughter be sent to spend the night with her grandmother. It had always been the custom for one of the granddaughters to stop to see their grandmother after school was dismissed at Leisenring but yesterday afternoon they went home, intending to return later in the evening.

About 6.30, Margaret Gettings, about 14 years old, came down to the house and on failing to get in she went to the home of H. B. Miller across the street from the Gettings home, and expressed her fear that her grandmother had met with harm.

Mr. Miller accompanied by his daughters, Etta Miller and Mrs. Katherine Brinker, hurried with the girl to the Gettings home and forced their way in. On entering they found the body of Mrs. Gettings enveloped in flames and the carpet on the floor had ignited. The woman was lying with her head under the grate and there was a scar below her left eye, inflicted when she fell.

The supposition is that the woman had a stroke of paralysis and fell from her chair. The general opinion is that death was almost instantaneous. There were no signs of a struggle. Her hair was completely burned and her features were unrecognizable. Mrs. Brinker, Miss Miller and Miss Gettings carried water and extinguished the fire in the room. The bedclothing was taken from the bed in a corner of the room and the woman's body was wrapped in them and the flames were soon extinguished. The body was brought to Connellsville and removed to Funeral Director J. L. Stader's establishment and prepared for burial.

Patrick Gettings, her son, who is fireboss at Leisenring No. 3, was notified of the tragedy and hurried to the scene. Although Mrs. Gettings lived alone since the death of her husband, all the neighbors were very kind to her and it was seldom that she was without company. She had resided in Leisenring for a number of years and was highly respected by all who knew her. Her tragic death came as a shock to the residents of the neighborhood.

In addition to her son, Patrick, she is survived by two other sons and a daughter, the latter two residing in Illinois. The daughter's husband and son were killed sometime ago.

PENROSE RAPS O'NEIL

J. Denny is an Opportunist, the Senator Declares.

PHILADELPHIA, March 6.—When he read that J. Denny O'Neil, associated with the boom of J. Benjamin Dimmick for the Republican nomination United States Senator, had called him the "high priest of all that is evil in politics," Senator Penrose denounced O'Neil as "an opportunist."

"His discovery that I am a bad man must be a recent one," said Senator Penrose, "because for many years he has been coming here trying to get appointments for his relatives from me. Now O'Neil thinks he can get the votes by attacking me. I know, however, that he has at times sought the aid of the liquor interests in Allegheny county, and that he has been backed by them."

FOR MOTHERS' PENSIONS.

Commissioners Expected to Make Appropriation in a Few Days.

The county commissioners are expected to make an appropriation of $4,000 within the next few days for mothers' pensions. The state will then appropriate a similar amount. The fund will then be placed in the hands of a board of trustees, composed of women, to be appointed by the Governor. There will likely be five members named.

Under the law the maximum monthly payments allowed mothers is $12 for those with one child; $20 for two children; $26 for three children and $5 a month for each additional child. Payments are to be made only to widows and abandoned wives who are known to be needy.

TWO FIRMS LOSE SUIT.

Court Holds They Should Have Presented Claims to Referee.

UNIONTOWN, March 6.—Two suits against M. H. Feldstein of Connellsville brought by John E. Hurts & Co. to recover $517.77 and Daniel Miller & Co. to recover $446.63, both on promissory notes, were lost in court yesterday.

The court held that these claims should have been presented before the referree in bankruptcy when the affairs of Feldstein & Levine were before the United States court.

COUNCILMEN AND FIREMEN TALK CONVENTION PLANS

Matter of Revenue from Concessions is Principal Matter to be Determined Upon.

Members of the executive committee of the West Side Fire Department met with members of council last week and discussed plans for the big convention to be held here next August. Fred H. Harmening, W. E. DeBolt and J. A. Cypher acted as spokesmen for the firemen, though all participated in the general discussion. No action was taken by council, the meeting being merely to "get together" with the volunteer department and learn what they desire council to do.

The request for the revenue to be derived from the sale of privileges during the week of the convention was the principal subject of discussion. The firemen ask council to give them the use of the streets and the power to dispose of the privileges in a manner calculated to bring the greatest amount of revenue. Solicitor Higbee has advised council that this cannot be legally done. He declares, however, that council can appropriate a sum of money to the firemen and sell the privileges that would cover that amount, thus accomplishing the end desired in strictly legal form.

URGES FAMILY SCALES

Sealer of Weights Advises Housekeepers to Watch Dealers.

W. J. Callaghan of Uniontown, inspector of weights and measures for Fayette county, has the following to say in regard to recent informations made by him against violators of the law of weights and measures:

"I made 25 informations against merchants for violating the law of weights and measures. All of them appeared befor the justice of the peace and entered pleas of guilty, and at my request were let off with the payment of costs. No fine was imposed for the reason that it was the first offense.

"I have received, recently, a great many complaints from families that their groceries, meats, etc., are under weight. I would advise every family to secure household or family scales and to re-weigh their purchases and if they are being cheated to notify me and I will see that informations are made. I am sure that if families would use scales that the practice of giving false weights and measures would be soon broken up.

"In a county of this size, it is almost impossible to detect all those who are giving false weights or using measures which do not conform with the law.

FIGHT OVER LICENSES

Somerset Court Hears Arguments Over Shade Township Applicants.

SOMERSET, March 7.—Judge Ruppel yesterday held a brief session of license court when the three new applications for retail liquor license in Shade township were discussed and argued by attorneys for the petitioners and remonstrants. The applicants are Albert L. Walter, Cairnbrook, and John F. Werner and Martin R. Brennan, Central City.

All three of the would-be license holders contend that there is an abundance of legal "necessity" for licensed hotels in the new mining towns, which are pictured as lacking hotel accommodations to the great inconvenience of the traveling public. On the other hand scores of the old residents of Shade township claim in remonstrances that licenses are not necessary.

The remonstrances were attacked on the technical ground that they were filed later than the time alloted by the rules of the court. In reply to this objection Judge Ruppel stated emphatically that he would hear all remonstrances regardless of the rule of court, because in his opinion the court has no legal authority to promulgate such a rule.

KILLED AT MINES.

Italian Falls From a Moving Truck at Plant Near Dawson.

James DeDoldi, 28 years old, an Italian, was killed Thursday afternoon at the Youghiogheny mines, near Dawson, when he fell backwards from a fast moving truck, breaking his neck. He was hauling rails on a narrow gauge extension track leading from the mines to a nearby railroad junction.

The body was removed to Funeral Director W. H. Parkhill's establishment and prepared for burial. No arrangements will be made for the funeral until the arrival of a brother from Scottdale. DeDoldi is survived by a widow and several children in Italy.

INSURANCE MEN MEET.

Fayette Underwriters Gather Here and Discuss Important Matters.

A meeting of the Fayette County Board of Underwriters, composed of insurance men from all parts of the county, was held Thursday afternoon in the Second National Bank building. Matters of importance in the fire insurance business were discussed. Four new members were taken in.

Among the out-of-town men present were O. P. Markle, S. H. Jaquette and J. D. Springer of Uniontown; Ray Neville, Dawson; P. G. Oglevee, East Liberty.

SLEDS CRASH; LAD HURT.

Harold Pierce of South Connellsville Has Broken Collar Bone.

In a collision between sleds on a South Connellsville hill, Harold Pierce sustained a broken collar bone and a severe injry to the head.

The youth had previously been thrown into a ditch but not injured. After going home to change clothes, he had one ride and was going back up for another when another sled crashed into him. He was unconscious for nearly an hour.

Will Sell Rosedale Farm.

An administrator's sale of Rosedale Farm, near Penneville, the estate of W. C. Lyon, deceased, will be held Saturday afternoon, March 14, at 2 o'clock. The estate includes 15 acres, a 12-room frame building, a large barn and several smaller buildings.

GRAND JURY FAVORS GOOD ROAD PROGRAM OF COMMISSIONERS

Approves Proposed Improvements in Three of the Townships.

LEISENRING AMONG THE NUMBER

Concrete Highway Will be Built from Boiler House to Point Near the John Work Farm: True Bills are Returned Against Wiant Brothers.

UNIONTOWN, March 7—The grand jury completed its work for the March term today and submitted its report to the court approving the good roads program outlined by the commissioners which calls for the improvement of three highways in as many townships. The report for the term follows:

Number of indictments acted on....131
Number of true bills 118
Number of bills ignored 13
Number of witnesses 230
Number of road petitions acted upon 3

The following road petitions were approved:

1. A certain section of the public highway in Georges township, beginning at a point on the Morgantown road near Chadville, and extending to the boundary line of the borough of Fairchance, a total distance of 12,250 feet.

2. A section of that certain road in Menallen township beginning at a point at the end of the present improved road near the Menallen and Redstone township lines and extending in a northeasterly direction along lands of the Taylor Coal & Coke Company, the Connellsville Central Coal & Coke Company and others, to a point on the National Pike at Searight, a total distance of 9,150.2 feet.

3. A section of the road in Dunbar township beginning at a point in front of the boiler house at Leisenring No. 1 and extending in a southerly direction towards Laurel Hill Church to a point about 250 feet south of John Work's barn, a total distance of 7,880 feet.

The first road is to be built of brick, 14 feet wide, with a six-inch foundation of limestone; concrete curb. The second road is to be 16 feet wide, with six-inch limestone foundation and a wearing surface of three inches of Tarvia. The third road is to be of concrete, 16 feet wide, seven inches thick in center and six inches on the side, and brick will be used in grades greater than 6 per cent.

True bills were found by the grand jury yesterday against Ralph Wiant, the missing express messenger who is charged with stealing $15,000 from a packet of the United States Express Company office at Connellsville; and against his brother, Fred Wiant, at whose house over $11,000 of the stolen money was found, for receiving stolen goods. Detective Joseph Mayhew appeared as the prosecutor in both cases.

Suit was filed in the case of D. L. Hunter against the Yough Crystal Ice & Storage Company for $375; and by J. H. Henry for $183 against the same defendant.

GILCHRIST UNDER FIRE.

Former Connellsville Man Involved in License Fight.

W. D. Gilchrist, formerly of Connellsville, is the center of a bitter license fight in Beaver county, where efforts are being made to deprive him of the license for the hotel at Ambridge. Burns detectives figured in the testimony before Judge Holt in license hearings.

Charges were made that Gilchrist sold to intoxicated persons. Before going to Ambridge Mr. Gilchrist was proprietor of hotels in Fayette and Somerset counties. He was a Baltimore & Ohio conductor and widely known.

SHOE SHINE WAR.

Two Stands Cut Prices for Saturday and Sunday Polishes.

A shoe shine war threatens to disrupt the Greek and Syrian colonies, and to result in a reduction in this one luxury of life. Two stands on Main street, one recently opened, have reduced their prices to five cents a shine or seven shines for a quarter.

Hitherto, it has been the custom to charge five cents a shine on all days but Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, when ten cents was exacted. Two stands to break away announce that the price will be the same every day in the year.

CHARGED WITH ARSON.

Dawson Fruit Dealer Jailed on Charge of Deputy State Fire Marshal.

Charged with arson in connection with the recent fire at Dawson, Joe Delia, an Italian fruit dealer who was burned out, was sent to jail after a hearing before Squire R. H. Wright at Dawson. Deputy State Fire Marshal Lowrey was the prosecutor.

Witnesses testified that Delia had about $2,000 insurance on stock and fixures that were not worth more than $400. Others declared that Delia had bought a half interest of his partner, Roundi, on February 1, for $1,500.

Case of Diphtheria.

Salvadore Vorrazzi, eight year old son of A. Vorrazzi, of 127 West Peach street is ill with diphtheria. This is the first case of diphtheria reported for several weeks.

Railroad Man Operated On.

Ralph Malone, a Baltimore & Ohio supervisor of the Connellsville division underwent an operation for stomach trouble in the Mercy Hospital, Pittsburg.

Baby Girl is Born.

A nine pound baby girl was born on Friday to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mason of Braddock. Mr. Mason was formerly Baltimore & Ohio freight agent in Connellsville.

REFUGEES FROM WAR-TORN LANDS SEEK JOBS HERE

They are Among the Lodgers at City Bastile and Wander on After Night's Repose.

An unusual combination of nationalities wandered into town Thursday afternoon and put up in the guest room of the city hall that night—Jose Pasquay, a Mexican refugee; Paul Graberek, a Frenchman, and Sancho Viteg, a Brazilian. Somewhere along the line they had met and decided to cast their fortunes together. They had no money, no friends, and even though they all professed to have trades, they found no work. Friday they moved on in the hope that they might find better luck somewhere else.

Pasquay, who is of small stature and swarthy, claims to have left Mexico some months ago, during the battle of Ojinaga. He told in broken English some of the exciting scenes in that revolution-torn country.

"Everybody fight down there" he said. "Fighting all the time. If I stay they make me fight for Villa, maybe; maybe for Huerta."

From his talk, Pasquay is not a fighter. He is a boilermaker and was working on the railroad that runs into Ojinaga, when the rebels laid siege to the place. He escaped, tired of the turmoil, and worked his way across the border. He has been working at whatever comes to hand since then.

Viteg and Graberek, he says he met on the way north. They have been away from their native lands for many years. The Frenchman speaks good English but his companion has not acquired a command of the language. Viteg, the Brazilian, says he left his native land many months ago, at the first intimation of trouble in that country.

TWO ALARMS AT ONE TIME KEEP THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSY

Call Comes From Distillery While Residence Is On Fire.

WHITE ROCK COMPANY A LOSER

Damage to Extent of $3,000 is Done When Mill is Destroyed and Grain Badly Damaged by Water; Horse-Drawn Wagon Answers Second Call.

Two fire alarms from different sections of town at 7.30 last Thursday caused the fire department to do some hustling. A lot of smoke from smouldering woodwork in the home of Mrs. Mary Rugg, corner of Mearsh and Second street, West Side, caused the first alarm and just as the firemen arrived a second alarm took them to the White Rock distillery on South Arch street. The second fire was by far the most serious, practically three stories of the plant being gutted, entailing a loss estimated by officials of the company at nearly $3,000.

Spontaneous combustion is given as the cause. A spark from rollers in the mill on the second floor is believed to have ignited gas, causing a slight explosion. Frank Stehle, one of the employes, discovered the blaze, which was burning fiercely when he entered the mill. He immediately knocked a hole in the partition between the distillery and the mill, and summoning assistance, played water on the flames with a small hose kept for such emergencies. Despite their efforts the fire gained headway rapidly. The mill was completely destroyed and blue, spoutings, belting and machinery in turn became prey to the flames. The flames ate their way from the second to the fourth floor, gutting all three.

An alarm was sent in to the fire department but by the time they arrived the distillery employes had gotten the fire under control.

Two carloads of grain stored on the upper floors were badly damaged by water, though the fire did not reach it, thus increasing the loss.

The automobile truck was at the Rugg fire when the second alarm sounded, but both truck and the East Side apparatus responded to the distillery fire. The loss at the first fire was comparatively nothing, the services of the firemen not being required to extinguish it.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE BOARD AFTER DATA ON FREE SERVICE

Commission Calls on Eastern Railroads to Furnish Information Covering Many Points.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Comprehensive information regarding "the purposes, facts, nature and extent of special services" performed by the eastern railroads for shippers, was called for today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The commission desires to know "the extent to which the services or such may be called free, and the extent to which compensation is received therefor."

The information sought is regarded by the commission as having important bearing upon the application of the roads for an advance in rates. The special services concerned of which information is desired are: allowance of free time for loading and unloading carload freight, collecting and delivering freight, sorting freight, transporting containers, furnishing and transporting tonnage, preservatives, etc., furnishing or paying for wharfage or dockage, refrigeration service, loading and unloading carload freight, reconsigning carload freight and special services not covered by these hearings.

Responses of the railroads are required to complete form by April 7.

Alderman Marries Them.

Mary Piziola, a 17 year old Italian girl, was married to Caligni Fumato by Alderman Fred Munk at his office on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The bride being under age, her father appeared and gave his consent to the union. They have taken up their residence on the West Side.

BALSLEY HAD RACE TO PREVENT ARREST BY MEXICAN REBELS

Moving Picture Man, Home From El Paso, Tells Experiences.

MAN IN PARTY WAS WANTED

West Sider Films Scenes About Fort Bliss, Including the Castillo Bandits; Expects to Start Soon for Canadian Northwest With Camera.

Charles H. Balsley of the West Side returned home last week from El Paso, Tex., where he viewed the Mexican revolution at close range and had a few thrills thrown in. Mr. Balsley is engaged in taking a series of moving pictures for a private concern. He expects to leave in a short time for the Canadian Northwest.

Mr. Balsley's trip was not without excitement. He and two others had a narrow escape from being captured by the rebels in Juarez a few days ago. W. C. Coyle, a newspaper correspondent during the Madero revolt of three years ago, a Chicago politician, and Balsley were in Juarez, where Coyle was recognized by a rebel officer who had a grudge against him. A friend informed Coyle of his danger and the three men made a dash for a street car to the border. They managed to pass the scrutiny of the guards at the international line. Balsley said that Americans are being constantly interfered with and in some cases have been imprisoned and treated harshly.

He asserts that the Texans are eager to cross the border and do some fighting. The "watchful waiting" policy of President Wilson is not commended by the brave Americans along the border who have been the victims of constant depredations on the part of the Mexicans. The Texans play no favorites and are equally bitter against both Federals and Constitutionalists. The Mexicans, for their part, declare that if Texas were eliminated, they would come over the border and wipe out the United States. The Mexicans have a wholesome respect for the Texans.

Since the embargo on arms has been lifted, Mexicans come into El Paso without molestation and there is constant travel over the bridge between that city and Juarez.

Coyle, the man who was a member of the Balsley party was taken prisoner during the revolution three years ago. He was in a party of 85, 50 of whom were killed. Coyle escaped by boring a hole through the adobe wall of his prison and crawling along an irrigation ditch. One of the Mexicans who had captured him recognized him in Juarez with Balsley and the Chicago man, and attempted to have him captured. The Americans got across the line in safety.

Balsley's last trip ended at El Paso. There he took many views of the United States troops at Fort Bliss, together with some Mexican scenes. He got a picture of General Salazar the Federal general who is being held a prisoner in the detention camp. He also got views of the refugees, and the Castillo bandits.

WANTS DEED RETURNED.

Aged Woman Contends that Agreement She Made was Violated.

UNIONTOWN, March 5—Samuel Yoders was today given 30 days in which to show cause why he should not return to Mrs. Martha W. Dunham, 94 years old, deeds for two properties in Red-stone township.

Mrs. Dunham transferred the property to Yoders on condition that he would provide a home for her, keep her in clothes, and when she died, see that she was given a proper burial. She now asserts that Yoders is not making good his pledges.

THE MAYOR'S REPORT.

One Hundred and Thirty Were Arrested During Month of February.

At the regular meeting of Council Monday night, Mayor Marietta will report as follows for the month of February:

Number arrested 130
Discharged 41
Committed 46
Fines paid 35
Forfeits 11

Cash received from fines amounted to $163; from licenses $13; from constables for cell rent, $6; total receipts $188.

HIS AUTO OVERTURNS.

Dr. G. H. Edmonds Has Narrow Escape From Serious Injury.

Dr. G. H. Edmonds had a narrow escape from serious injury shortly after noon last Thursday when his auto overturned in the road between Tracer and Leisenring.

The car skidded and overturned, it rested on its side and Dr. Edmonds, who was alone in the auto, was not hurt. The windshield was smashed but it is not thought the car was otherwise damaged.

POSTAL CLERK RESIGNS.

L. H. Smith Secures Position in Pittsburg With Westinghouse.

L. H. Smith, for the past three years stamp clerk at the postoffice and recently in charge of the night collection and distribution has resigned and is now employed by the Westinghouse Electric Company in Pittsburg.

Mr. Smith is succeeded in the postoffice by Clyde Whipkey, who has been auxiliary clerk for some time.

CHAUNCEY MITCHELL HAS ONLY MISSED HALF DAY IN SCHOOL

Son of Constable, Now a Senior, Makes Remarkable Record in Attendance.

A remarkable record for attendance at school is that made by Chauncey Mitchell, son of Constable and Mrs. J. W. Mitchell of Apple street, who has missed but one half-day since he first enrolled in the lowest grade, and he is now a senior in the commercial department of the high school.

Young Mitchell, who is 17 years old, was prevented from establishing a record for perfect attendance, by illness which kept him out of school on Tuesday afternoon, when he was taken with symptoms of fever and apparently threatened with a serious attack of illness.

According to the figures of Superintendent Ashe, a perfect record for attendance means 2,160 days or 4,320 sessions. If illness had not prevented young Mitchell from attending on Tuesday and had he completed the present term with no more absent marks, he would have come within one of equaling this record.

Several perfect attendance records have been achieved by pupils in the local schools, one of the most recent having been that of Harold Clasper, who was graduated several years ago.

SHIRT FACTORY RUNNING

Meyersdale's New Industry Begins Operation with 30 Machines.

MEYERSDALE, Mar. 6.—The shirt factory recently established through the activity of the Meyersdale Commercial Club is now in operation. About 30 machines are running and for the present only working shirts will be turned out. Later, it is said, equipment will be added for the manufacture of the finer grades of dress shirts.

Encouraged by the promising success of their first venture, the representatives of the club have in prospect the establishment of a manufacturing plant that will turn out neckties and like articles of wear, and are now casting about to ascertain the possibility of securing nearly a hundred operatives, both men and women, if they are successful in this line the enterprise will be a sure go.

Owing to the steady operation of two large cigar factories, female labor is rendered scarce in Meyersdale, but it is thought enough help can be secured to insure the success of the industry in prospect.

WILL TALK ROADS

Auto Club Arranges a Meeting for Friday, March 20.

The Connellsville Automobile Club is planning another meeting on Friday, March 20, to discuss the improvement of county roads. The transformation of Wills road into a real boulevard, as suggested at the smoker several weeks ago, will be reported by the board of governors.

The efforts of the club will be centered upon securing good township and county roads in the belief that state roads, outside of those already contracted for and under course of construction, are not likely to be constructed in Fayette county this year.

Another proposition the club has before it is to prevail upon the county commissioners to spend some of the revenue derived from the recent levy of 1½ mills for road improvement in this end of the county.

HAS WARRANT ISSUED.

Health Officer Goes After Grocer for Dumping in the City.

At the instance of Health Officer George Hetzel, Mayor Marietta on Saturday swore out a warrant for the arrest of Nazareno Mastroselefano, an Italian grocer, for failing to comply with the health laws prohibiting the depositing of refuse in the city limits.

As evidence that Mastroselefano is guilty, Hetzel exhibited portions of envelopes and cancelled checks bearing his name. He declared that warnings had been served upon him on several occasions, but despite them he persists in depositing waste paper and store refuse under the Arch street bridge.

EXAMINES MIDWIVES.

Fifteen Take Test Before Doctor T. B. Echard.

Fifteen foreign women were examined for midwives' certificates at the state tuberculosis dispensary in the Second National Bank building by Dr. T. B. Echard. The class was composed of various nationalities, and all of the women were over middle age.

The examination was written and oral and lasted almost four hours. The successful ones will receive state licenses and will be required to report all births within 48 hours after they occur. Another examination will be held on March 18.

STERLING A CANDIDATE.

Is Circulating His Petition for the State Senate.

County Chairman Bruce F. Sterling, liberal distributor of Democratic patronage for Fayette county, is circulating his nomination papers and will be a candidate for the State Senate. The fight in Fayette this year will be a three-cornered one between State Senator W. E. Crow, Republican; Sterling, Democrat; and J. W. Dawson, Progressive.

R. S. Hopwood, it is said, will likely be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress.

Many Sign the Pledge.

During the evangelistic services at West Leisenring conducted by Rev. A. L. Metcalf, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Leisenring, 25 total abstinence pledges were signed and 22 persons, all but one affiliating themselves with the church, were converted.

PAIGE IS CONFIDENT TOWN WILL SUPPORT A FAST BALL TEAM

Owner of Local Franchise Comes Here to Look Over Town.

IS BUILDING UP A NEW CIRCUIT

Confident New League Will be a Success and Promises a Fast Nine to Represent the Cokers; Uniontown Will Have a Team; Meeting Today.

That Connellsville will have a fast team in the new Pennsylvania & West Virginia League is the promise of F. G. Paige, owner of the local franchise, who was in town Friday night. Connellsville fans have heard that so often they have grown skeptical, but Mr. Paige promises to make good.

"I know Connellsville is a good town. I wanted to transfer my Sharon franchise here in 1912 after Wilson had been ousted, and I would have done so had the league's executive been alive to its interests."

Paige had Sharon in third place and going strong when the old Ohio & Pennsylvania league blew up. While in Sharon he canvassed the situation carefully, and picked Connellsville as the town he wanted if a new circuit was ever organized.

Mr. Paige is now at work getting the new league under way. He has engaged H. A. McKinnon, an old baseball man, to take charge of the executive end. Paige will come to Connellsville within the next week or so and make his permanent headquarters here. He has already leased the ball park and will get down to the business of assembling a team. A strong playing manager will be engaged.

"I don't expect to make a barrel of money here," Mr. Paige said. "If the team will break even and I can sell a couple of players, I will feel that my time has been well spent."

The new club owner went to Uniontown this morning and will attend a conference of baseball men in Pittsburg this afternoon. The circuit has not been fully decided upon. Connellsville and Uniontown are certain. McKeesport and Charleroi are also virtually assured of berths. Fairmont and Clarksburg are desired, although the park problem at Fairmont is offering some difficulties. Mr. Paige may go to West Virginia to investigate the matter in person, although Hugh Shannon and another baseball man are there now. There is the possibility that Johnstown and Altoona may come in.

The Flood City would be assured of a berth but for the fact that the park there is not in shape. However, Paige says the league would be willing to build stands there if the Johnstown fans are sufficiently interested.

Paige impresses one as having the ability to handle the baseball situation here in a satisfactory manner. He has had long experience in the game, but is not a braggard. He has been very successful in managing teams, and usually has them well up in the race. "I intend to give Connellsville a good ball team. I believe the town will support a winner loyally. It will have the opportunity. I have a line on a number of good players, and expect to have little difficulty in building up a strong nine," he said.

ACCEPTS CALL HERE

Rev. C. C. Buckner Will Assume Christian Pastorate on April 5.

Rev. Champ Clark Buckner, pastor of Irving Park Christian Church in Chicago, has accepted the call of the Connellsville Christian Church. Word was received from Rev. Buckner yesterday stating that he will arrive here in time to assume charge on Sunday, April 5. Rev. Buckner preached a trial sermon here about three weeks ago. The following Sunday a congregational meeting was held and a unanimous call was extended to him.

There was some fear felt as to whether he would accept or not, as it was known that his present congregation was bringing influence to bear to have him remain; but officials of the local church have his assurance that he has accepted and will come to Connellsville.

QUARANTINE LIFTED.

Smallpox Patient Allowed to Leave Pest House.

William Brown, the negro smallpox patient, was released from quarantine on Friday, his period of incarceration after recovery having elapsed. Brown's case was not so serious as was supposed, the spots disappeared soon after he was taken to the pest house, and a week later he was almost as well as ever.

J. W. Crossland and James Morrison, the two guards, were back in town today, disgusted with the job. They conceived the idea that they would have an easy time of it, but were soon impressed with the fact that they had to remain at the pest house all of their time.

Must Make Checks Good.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Travelers cheques which fall into the hands of unauthorized persons and are forged and cashed must be made good to the original purchaser by the issuing bank, according to a decision handed down by the appellate division of the state supreme court today.

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WEST VA. STRIKE CONDITIONS TOLD IN SENATE PROBE

Special Committee Offers No Suggestions, as Peace Prevails.

REIGN OF TERROR IS DESCRIBED

Senator Swanson, in Detailing Findings of the Investigators, Relates Causes Which Led Up to Violence in Paint and Cabin Creek Regions

WASHINGTON March 9—The report of the Senate sub-committee which investigated the West Virginia coal strike was filed in the Senate today by Senator Swanson of Virginia, chairman of the committee His report, while characterizing conditions in the strike field as most deplorable," makes no recommendations, the committee explaining that the resolution authorizing the investigation conferred on it no power to recommend remedial legislation The report was a general review and summary of the various reports of conditions in the Paint Creek and Cabin Creek fields prepared by the individual members of the sub-committees who took charge of various phases of the investigation

In summing the conclusions of the committee Senator Swanson said "The conditions existing in this district for many months were most deplorable The hostility became so intense the conflict so fierce that there existed for some time well armed forces fighting for supremacy Separate camps organized armed and guarded, were established There was much violence and some murders Pitched battles were fought by the contending parties Law and order disappeared and life was insecure for both sides. Operation and business practically ceased

"As these unhappy conditions no longer exist, as the differences have been amicably adjusted and an agreement entered into for several years and as peace and confidence now prevail, work and business having been resumed, the committee does not consider it wise or necessary to elaborate upon the many causes which produced these conditions

"Among the contributing causes may be enumerated the following

"The failure of the operators in the Paint Creek district to renew their agreement with their workers

"The determination of the coal operators under no circumstances to recognize the miners as an organization or union and the equal determination of the miners to organize and form a union, a right as they claim guaranteed to them without discrimination by the laws of West Virginia.

The employment by the corporations of mine guards, many of whom were aggressive and arbitrary

Mine guards in the employment of the operators acting as deputy sheriffs and clothed with the authority of the law

"The failure of the civil authorities to attempt to preserve peace and order at the beginning of violence and permitting things to drift from bad to worse without interference

"Discontent among the miners occasioned by no opportunity to purchase homes.

"No cemeteries except upon the company's grounds.

"Postoffices located in the company's stores.

"Private roads only to the schools and stores.

"The disposition of the coal operators to keep a strict espionage of all strangers who entered the district and to exercise their right on private ownership of this large district and to exclude from it all objectionable persons."

REVENUES STILL DECLINE.

Railroads East and West Earn Less During January

Reports for January to the Interstate Commerce Commission show relative financial conditions of railroads of the country remain unchanged Gross and net revenues continue to show a decline in the eastern and western districts, while in the southern districts they exhibit a slight increase over the gross and net for the corresponding period of last year

The reports cover 85 railroads totalling 91,672 miles The revenue per mile for the country as a whole fell from $302 to $233 In the eastern district the decline was from $483 to $282, and in the western district from $200 to $197 In the southern district the increase was from $2.9 to $237

ACCIDENT STORY DENIED.

Report That 26 Men Were Caught in Tunnel, Untrue, B. & O Says

A positive denial has been made by Baltimore & Ohio railroad officials of the report that a tunnel cave-in occurred on the Magnolia cutoff improvement, last week, burying 26 workmen This denial is corroborated by H. S. McLennan, superintendent of the H S Kerbaugh Company the contractors on the work where the accident is reported to have happened

The only resemblance of such a report is that on Thursday, February 26, a rock fell from the wall of a tunnel under construction and injured one laborer to the extent of cutting his face slightly

GIVEN USE OF SCHOOLS

Labor Union Men Will Show Pictures to Boost Co-operative Stores

PITTSBURG, Mar 5—Union labor organizations back of the movement to establish co-operative stores in Pittsburg in the hope of reducing the cost of living today were notified by C L Wooldridge superintendent of public school buildings that they could use school property for moving picture exhibitions to arouse interest in the plan

The exhibitions are to be free and given in sections of the city where the cost of living is most keenly felt.

BIG RAILROADS DOMINATE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Counsel for Pittsburg Coal Company Says All Competition Has Been Stifled.

WASHINGTON, March 6—Evidence submitted today to the Interstate Commerce Commission by Frank Lyon representing the Pittsburg Coal Company, and compiled by Frank Warne from the commission's records showed that the hundreds of railroads in the east and were controlled as to their financial operation, rates and practices through ownership, lease, or interlocking stock ownership by a few great systems It was Lyon's contention that such control was inimical to the shipping public because, he asserted, it practically eliminated competition.

In the eastern territory there are approximately 897 separate railroad companies Of those the tables showed 606 are controlled by 12 systems Thus, the New York Central absolutely controls 118 the Pennsylvania, 112 the Reading, 80 the Baltimore & Ohio, 78, the Erie, 53, the Delaware & Hudson, 14, the Lehigh Valley, 13, the Western Maryland, 91, and so on.

The total number of transportation companies in which the New York Central exercises either a majority joint or minority interest through stock ownership or through lease contract or agreement is 204, the total number of transportation companies in which the Pennsylvania has a majority or minority interest through stock ownership or through lease contract or agreement is 245, of which 138 are controlled through majority interest and 107 through minority interest

At today's hearing manufacturers of the Mahoning and Shenango valleys in Ohio protested against the proposed advance of rates, particularly on coal transported to them from the Pittsburg district They also protested against the proposed charge for the spotting of cars.

SCHOONMAKER BACK

Head of "Little Giant" Hopes Business Will Pick Up.

Colonel J M Schoonmaker, vice president of the Pittsburg & Lake railroad returned Wednesday afternoon from a three weeks vacation in Palm Beach He was at his desk yesterday among a pile of papers that accumulated in his absence and holding hurried conferences with officials of the road.

"I had the best time in the world, the colonel said yesterday "and found Florida a pleasant retreat from some of the bad weather Pittsburg has been having I find that the weather here was bad enough to tie up the railroads for a while, but we are recovering from the mixup in fine shape Just at the present time we are wishing that business would pick up a little though "

EXPECT EARLY RECALL

Railroaders Now on Furlough Hope to be Given Work.

Rumors are current that following the improvement in the coke trade and its consequent effect upon railroad traffic the Baltimore & Ohio railroad will recall a large number of trainmen who were furloughed when the slump began

Though there is no official confirmation of the report, it is generally believed that such action will have to follow within a short time and a number of young men laid off have returned to town in the conviction that they will shortly have their old jobs back again

AFTER NEW PLANT

Monongahela Raises $22,000 to Land McKeesport Concern.

A subscription of $22,000 stock has been raised by citizens of Monongahela, to persuade the United States Wire Wheel Company to move its plant to that place from McKeesport, where the company has an experimental plant.

The company will require considerable shop equipment.

B. & O Officials Here

General Manager C. W Galloway of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad arrived in town in car 915 on train No 8 on Monday and spent some time in the division offices Chief Engineer Earl Stimson also paid a visit to the local offices today, travelling on private car 912

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FEDERAL BOARD TO MAKE FAR-REACHING INDUSTRIAL PROBE

Will Investigate Every Phase of Conditions in Country.

REPORT ASKED BY CONGRESS

Employers, Trade Unionists and All Other Persons Interested Will be Called, Welfare Work to be Investigated With View to Extending It.

WASHINGTON, March 7—Far-reaching inquiry into practically all phases of the industrial situation in this country, with a view to making important recommendations to Congress shortly will be undertaken by the Federal Industrial Relations Commission In announcing this fact today Frank Walsh chairman of the commission stated that public hearings will be held in the principal industrial centers beginning probably the 1st of March and continuing through the early summer The hearings will embrace in their scope all the main divisions of the inquiry directed by Congress, which include irregularity of employment, possibilities of ending irregularity and increasing production through scientific management activities of trades unions and employers associations, and the extent and operation of governmental machinery for regulating the condition of industry

Particular inquiry will be devoted to successful methods of maintaining harmonious relation beneficial to both employers and employes with a view to their adoption in centers where such methods have never been tried Representatives of employers trades unions other labor organizations and organized employes and the general public will be heard, through whom the commission hopes to obtain information that will lead to instructive recommendations

The services of experts in subjects to be inquired into have been secured by the commission and they are now aiding in planning the hearings The commission will subpoena witnesses but announces that volunteer testimony will be welcome

RAILROAD WINS CASE

West Virginia Judge Overrules Woman's Claim for Big Damages

CHARLESTON, W Va., March 7—Judge E B Dyer in circuit court here today directed the jury to find for the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Company, defendant in the action of Mrs Anna Hall who sued to recover $25,000 damages alleged to have been sustained when she was shot during the miners' strike last year

Judge Dyer after hearing testimony the greater part of the week decided the plaintiff had not made out a case and told the jury that if it found otherwise it would be necessary to set aside the verdict

Mrs Hall alleged that she had been shot in both legs by a bullet from the armored train that passed up the Paint Creek branch of the road on February 7 1913 This was the first of a number of similar actions

RAILROAD RETRENCHES

Telegraph Operators Affected by Baltimore & Ohio Order

Retrenchment has struck the telegraph operators of the Connellsville division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad Orders have been issued closing the towers at Bidwell Cassleman and McSpadden Officials say that traffic is so light at this time that the offices can be closed without interfering with the operation of trains

Nine telegraph operators will be reduced to the extra list as the result of the order

Agents Are Transferred

E E Harris passenger baggage and freight agent for the Pennsylvania railroad at Alverton has been transferred to a similar position at Redstone Junction He will be succeeded at Alverton by G A. Monyer who held a similar position at Loyalhanna Ju

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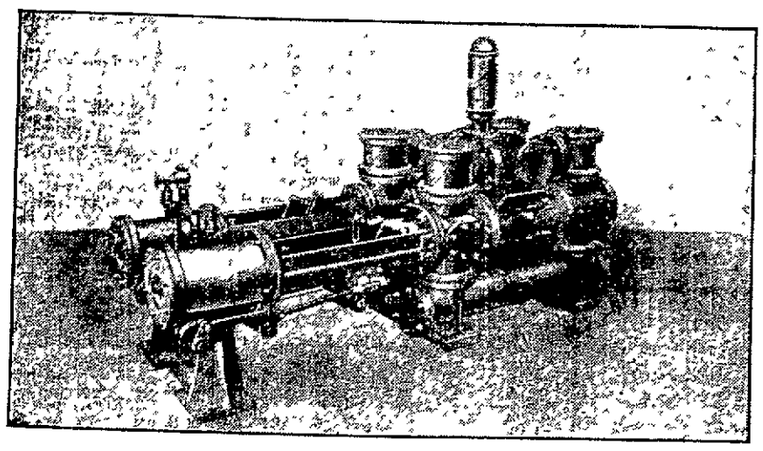

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